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**BLAZER** | Maysville firefighters prepare to extinguish a car fire on U.S. 68 near the intersection of Jersey Ridge Road Wednesday. All occupants of the vehicle got out safely. The Chevrolet Blazer was a total loss.

TERRY PRATHER, THE LEDGER INDEPENDENT

## MCTC RECEIVES LARGEST-EVER ENDOWMENT

ROBERTSON COUNTY STUDENTS WILL BENEFIT

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Students of Deming High School have been named as the recipients of an endowment to the Maysville Community and Technical College Foundation.

According to a press release from

MCTC Foundation Executive Director Cara Clarke, “the largest one-time cash gift ever received by the foundation” was given by Nelson and Polly Hester in December 2011.

Nelson Hester is a native of Robertson County and 1950 graduate of Deming High School; he later joined the U.S. Navy. He worked for electronics companies on the west coast and 23 years at Hewlett Packard before retiring in 1990. His father, Paul Nelson Hester served on the Robertson County Board of Education for 22 years, although he had only an eighth grade education.

Nelson Hester said the gift “will be a testament to his (father’s) loyalty to the school and dedicated service to education.”

Clarke referred to the gift as life altering for the young men and women and the Deming community.

According to Clarke, the Hesters contacted MCTC’s foundation office last fall to discuss their plans to make an endowed gift with income to be used to provide scholarships and aid to Robertson County students.

See **MCTC**, A2

ADAMS COUNTY

## Women escape trailer fire

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WEST UNION, Ohio | Two Adams County women escaped from a trailer fire Monday night with only the pajamas they were wearing, according to fire reports.

Tammy Phipps, 38, of West Union, and her mother, Karen Phipps said they got out just in time. Tammy Phipps said she had been in bed at the back of the trailer, but not asleep, while her mother had dozed off while watching television in the front section, they agreed.

“I heard a swoosh, not a pop, but more a swishy sound. I thought it was something Mom was watching on the TV. So I just rolled over in bed. Then I smelled something getting hot and I saw smoke rolling out of the back room near the furnace. I jumped up. Then, I kicked the back door to get out. I didn’t have anything else on but my nightgown, not even shoes,” Tammy Phipps said.

Karen Phipps said, “I think I heard her yell ‘fire.’ I picked something up, then threw it down because it was so



KAREN STEIN, THE LEDGER INDEPENDENT

This mobile home at 408 W. Walnut, in West Union, was destroyed by fire on Monday at about 11:27 p.m. Tammy Phipps, who rented the trailer, lost everything, she said. Her mother, Karen Phipps, who was staying with her at the time, escaped with minor burns, she said.

hot. I threw some water on it. Everything was so hot. I ran out the front door.”

“Lord knows, we just got out with our lives. I was so frightened when I couldn’t find Tammy at first, then a squad member told me where she was. Oh, it was so terrible and it all

happened so fast,” Karen Phipps said. She has burns on her hands and chest. She spent most of Monday night in the emergency room, she said.

See **FIRE**, A2

FLEMING COUNTY

## School board member arrested

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FLEMINGSBURG | Acting on a warrant generated by a Buffalo Trace Gateway Area Narcotics Task Force investigation a member of the Fleming County School Board was arrested on a drug charge Tuesday night.

Roy Gray, who has served on the school board for nearly three decades, was arrested and bonded out following his arrest on a third-degree trafficking in a controlled substance charge, police said.

According to the Task Force spokesperson, the charge allegedly involves less than 30 units of an antidepressant, which makes it a misdemeanor charge.

Gray should appear in Fleming County District Court today for arraignment, officers said.

In March 2010, Gray was also arrested on a DUI and drug-related charge, which was a misdemeanor, prescription drug not in proper container and careless driving.

On March 11, 2010, Gray, of Ewing, was driving on Elizaville Road when he was pulled over by police just past the Fleming County High School.

According to FCS Superintendent Tony Roth, he was informed of the incident on Tuesday night.

“Mr. Gray is proclaiming his innocence,” Roth said, adding the legal presumption is, “innocent until proven guilty.”

## Local rapper arrested for alleged trafficking

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A local man known as rapper G-Money Greene was arrested Wednesday afternoon for alleged marijuana trafficking.

Greene, 19, whose real name is Tajuan Greene, was arrested after a search warrant was executed at a residence on East Third Street in Maysville where he is known to reside.

According to Maysville Police Department Detective Ken Fuller, tips of alleged drug trafficking against Greene surfaced during a separate investigation of alleged kidnapping charges against Greene. Greene is currently incarcerated in the Mason County Detention Center on charges of second-degree burglary, kidnapping (adult) and fourth-degree assault.

See **DRUGS**, A2

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MONDAY



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TERRY PRATHER, THE LEDGER INDEPENDENT

Marijuana, drug paraphernalia and a hand gun were seized during the execution of a search warrant at a Maysville residence Wednesday afternoon.

## DRUGS

FROM A1

He was arrested Feb. 10 on the charges. Greene recently gained notoriety in the local community when a video entitled “Smoke Smoke” was posted on YouTube. The video shows areas of Maysville, including the Simon Kenton Memorial Bridge at night. Officials said 35 bags of marijuana, packaged in different weights

were seized, along with a .25-caliber handgun and ammunition, two sizes of sandwich baggies typically used for marijuana sales, and digital scales. “It’s clearly a trafficking operation,” Fuller said of the evidence collected at the property. Officials wouldn’t release information on the kidnapping charges Greene is facing, saying the case is still under investigation. MPD was assisted by members of the Buffalo Trace/Gateway Area Narcotics Task Force.



KAREN STEIN, THE LEDGER INDEPENDENT

It was at this end of the trailer where Tammy Phipps was in bed when she first smelled and saw smoke rolling out of the next room where the furnace was located. The fire destroyed everything on Monday night.

## FIRE

FROM A1

“They said my blood pressure was really high and they said they weren’t at all surprised it was high,” Karen Phipps said. Tammy Phipps, who rented the trailer, lost everything she had, including her cats. She called 9-1-1 at 11:27 p.m. She checked her cell phone for the exact time. “This battery will soon be dead and I don’t even have the charger. I don’t

know what we are going to do,” she said. The Phipps are staying temporarily with their friend, Linda Brumley of West Union. “The rescue squad did an outstanding job. They even brought them to my home after 4 a.m., from the hospital,” Brumley said. The Phipps said they are not sure what they should do next. The Red Cross visited them on Tuesday, said Tammy Phipps. “We are just taking it one day at a time,” Karen Phipps said. It was only a little over a month ago when Tammy

lost her job she had worked for 15 years, her mother said. “Now this fire has taken everything I have. We went over to it on Tuesday to see if we could salvage anything, but the fire department said the fire wasn’t safe,” Tammy Phipps said. Chief Jerry Kirker of West Union Fire Department said, “The fire was a bad one. It took about 30 minutes to get it under control and we were there about two hours for everything. Trucks and emergency personnel answered from here, Byrd Township

in Brown County, Peebles, Scott Township, and Wayne Township.” More personnel are answering fires because of a need to meet insurance standards, he said. The Ohio Fire Marshall is still investigating the cause of the fire, Kirker said. Donations can be sent to Tammy Phipps at 415 West Mulberry Street, West Union, 45693. Women’s clothing sizes 8-10 for Tammy Phipps and size 10-12 women’s pants for Karen Phipps. Both women wear medium tops, Brumley told The Ledger Independent.

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## MCTC

FROM A1

Within the endowment, the Hesters directed awards to be made based on financial need and merit for students to attend the college or university of their choice. The first scholarships will be awarded to members of the Deming High School graduating class of

2013. “The impact of a gift of this magnitude is magnificent and far reaching,” said Clarke. “The Hesters are amazingly kind and genuine people. They truly care about the students and harbor a deep love for Robertson County.” When asked what led them to create the Nelson and Pauline Hester Robertson County Community Enrichment Scholarship Fund, the Hesters said, “We are very lucky to have the means to be able to extend opportunities to the students Robertson County. We wanted to create something that will have a long lasting impact.”

“Our students are very fortunate to have such a generous benefactor. This new scholarship opportunity, combined with others already available to Robertson County students, will allow every one of our graduates who wish to further their education to have a sizeable portion of their higher education paid for. This is a great opportunity for our graduates. Incidentally, this is not the first time our district has benefited from the Hester’s generosity. A few years ago, they made a sizeable donation to the district’s capital projects fund. That gift will be recognized as part of our new building,” said

Chuck Brown, superintendent of Robertson County School. MCTC President Ed Story said because of the benevolent gift from the Hester family, many lives will be touched in Robertson County. “Dreams and goals will be achieved and this family leaves a legacy that will change the lives of students for years to come. Our college says, “Thank you,” for your generosity,” said Story. For more information about the MCTC Foundation, contact Clarke at 606-759-7141 ext. 66176 or by email at cara.clarke@kctcs.edu.

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TAMMY BROWN, THE LEDGER INDEPENDENT

**UPSET** | A John Deere tractor being driven by Gerald Crain was in a collision with a truck, shown at far left, being driven by Neil Byrd of Hillsboro, while both were driving in the same direction on the Flemingsburg bypass. Fleming County Sheriff's Office is investigating the accident. Preliminary reports and witness statements indicated Byrd attempted to pass Crain as Crain was turning left. Crain was not injured, but Byrd was taken to Fleming County Hospital as a precaution due to a cut he received in the accident.

# Cummins asks to drop part of lawsuit against Augusta

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AUGUSTA | On the eve of a court appearance in a lawsuit against the city of Augusta and Mayor John Laycock, former Police Chief Greg Cummins has requested the court drop part of his complaint.

Due in Bracken County Circuit Court at 11 a.m. today, city officials received a copy of the official request on Tuesday, which

was dated Feb. 13.

The particular topic requested to be dropped by Cummins is related to Conditions of Employment, and he conceded the Augusta personnel policy allowed termination of any employee, including the police chief, "for cause only."

Cummins continues to affirm three complaints about his termination on Dec. 7, 2011, including violation of whistle blower law, breach of contract and negli-

gent supervision.

Cummins claims his termination was retaliation for his investigation of a fellow police officer despite being told to stop the investigation by Laycock.

City officials and Laycock have requested the court dismiss the entire suit.

Details of the court session will appear in the Friday edition of The Ledger Independent and on its website at [www.maysville-online.com](http://www.maysville-online.com).

## BROWN COUNTY

# Deputies capture man in Fayetteville

SOUGHT FOR ALLEGED DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

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FAYETTEVILLE, Ohio | Brown County deputies and Mount Orab Police captured a Fayetteville man after searching for more than a hour Tuesday, according to reports.

Jason M. Metcalfe, 32, of Schlitz Drive, allegedly assaulted family members, including a 7-year-old, then fled his home in a car while carrying a shotgun and ammunition, according to the Brown County Sheriff. Deputies received the call at 9:45 p.m., according to reports.



JASON M. METCALFE

See **CAPTURE**, A4

## OHIO POLICE

# Man dumped ashes, sold urns for scrap

Associated Press

CINCINNATI | An Ohio man is accused of stealing cremation urns, dumping remains and taking the urns to sell at a scrap yard in the Cincinnati area, a stunning case cited Wednesday as city officials approved tough new restrictions on scrap metal sales aimed at curbing theft.

Cincinnati Cremation Co. owner Don Catchen told The Cincinnati Enquirer that three of 20 stolen bronze urns had contained the ashes of deceased people. Those ashes have been found and identified. Catchen said they were still in their original individual plastic bags, but had been hidden on a shelf.

See **SCRAPS**, A4



TERRY PRATHER, THE LEDGER INDEPENDENT

**BUSY STREET** | Traffic was halted on Lexington Street in Maysville, Tuesday as crews completed utility work near the CSX crossing. Traffic flow was reopened later.

## ADAMS COUNTY

# Grand jury indicts 14

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WEST UNION, Ohio | An Adams County grand jury indicted 14 people on Feb. 9, seven for various charges of theft and six for drug possession, according to court reports.

James Chambers, 28, of Hillsboro, was charged for alleged aggravated drug trafficking and possession of drugs while carrying a concealed weapon.

These are felonies of the second-, third- and fourth-degree, according to Adams County Prosecutor David Kelley. The second-degree felony charge can carry a possible prison term up to 8 years and/or a fine of \$15,000. Also, the court could include the third-degree fine of \$10,000 and/or the prison term of up to five years, and another fine up to \$5,000 with additionally prison term up to 18 months, according to county prosecutor's office reports.

Anthony R. Caudill, 21, of Peebles, was also indicted for aggravated drug trafficking and aggravated possession of drugs, both with a specification. These are also second- and third-degree felonies, according to prosecutor reports.

In other indictments, the grand jury charged:

- Christopher Young, 25, of West Union, one count of breaking and entering, a fifth-degree felony. This

charge is punishable with a prison term up to two years and/or a fine of \$2,500.

- James Anthony Bloomfield, 30, of Manchester, one count of receiving stolen property, a fourth-degree felony. This charge carries a prison term up to 10 months, and/or a fine up to \$5,000.

- Michelle Williams, 26, of West Union, one count of heroin possession, a fifth-degree felony.

- Lisa Grooms, 40, of West Union, one count of heroin possession, a fifth-degree felony.
- Derek McElfresh, 18, of Manchester, one count of breaking and entering, a fifth-degree felony.

- Waylon Evans, 32, of Lynx, one count of breaking and entering, a fifth-degree felony.

- Stuben Lykins, 41, of West Union, one count of breaking and entering, a fifth-degree felony.

- Charles Wilson, 31, of West Union, one count of breaking and entering, a fifth-degree felony.

See **INDICTED**, A4



JAMES CHAMBERS



ANTHONY R. CAUDILL

## MAN ARRESTED FOR ALLEGED CREDIT CARD THEFT

GEORGETOWN, Ohio | A Higginsport, Ohio, man was arrested by Brown County deputies Feb. 10, for alleged misuse of credit cards, according to officials.

Destrie Lane Fithen, 20, of Gains Street, allegedly used a credit card belonging to a woman who knew him, deputies reported. The victim learned of the theft on Feb. 3, when \$362 was taken from her account at an ATM at the Merchants Nation Bank of Higginsport, Sheriff Dwayne Wenninger said.

Fithen was arrested and charged with a first-degree misdemeanor for theft of funds, according to the sheriff. He is lodged in the Brown County Adult Detention Center with a \$5,000 cash surety bond set by the Brown County Municipal Court, according to deputy reports.

— **LI**

## SCULPTURE FOR VETERAN'S MEMORIAL REVEALED

ELIZABETHTOWN | An Elizabethtown sculptor has unveiled a clay mold that will be part of a memorial to veterans in Hardin County.

The mold by Rich Griendling depicts a Marine holding an M16 rifle. It is the fifth piece that he has created for the Hardin County Veterans Tribute, which will include statues representing each branch of the military.

Griendling has already completed a soldier, a sailor, an Air Force pilot and a Coast Guardsman for the memorial. He says the final sculpture will pay tribute to civil service workers.

In revealing the sculpture on Tuesday, he told The News-Enterprise that he researches each military branch and uniform meticulously so that he stays true to the look and design. — **AP**

## CORBIN TAKES STEP TO BAN SYNTHETIC MARIJUANA

CORBIN | Officials in a southern Kentucky city have taken a step toward banning synthetic marijuana.

Corbin officials unanimously approved the first reading of an ordinance on Monday that would make it illegal to sell or use the substance, The Times-Tribune reported.

The vote came after officials heard from a judge and a representative of a federal anti-drug initiative who said it was needed to protect teens and young adults. The chemical-coated herb mixtures can have dangerous side effects.

"I'm here for one purpose, and that's to pass the ordinance against synthetic marijuana. It's under the counter, it's sold at gas stations, and right now, it's legal," District Judge Cathy Prewitt told city commissioners. "This ordinance is not perfect. It will be challenged. But you have a lot of support for this. And you will have law enforcement behind you to make arrests. It's a start." — **AP**

## LITTLE GIRL FREED FROM TOY MACHINE IN LEXINGTON

LEXINGTON | A toddler has been rescued from inside a game machine at a Lexington coin laundry.

WKYT-TV reported Caitlin Campbell was playing with other children when a patron at the laundry saw her head pop up among stuffed animals Tuesday night.

The girl was inside a machine where players insert coins and then try to maneuver toys into a chute. She had crawled up the chute and couldn't get back out.

Caitlin was brave until firefighters had to use a saw to cut off the lock and then she cried a bit.

After a firefighter picked her up and handed her to her grandmother Judy Campbell, Caitlin was given two of the stuffed animals that lured her into the machine. — **AP**





**GLAD TO BE ALIVE |** Sunny skies with warmer temperatures seemed ideal for this barge deckhand to sweep up coal from empty barges Wednesday on the Ohio River. Rain is again in the forecast for today.

TERRY PRATHER,  
THE LEDGER  
INDEPENDENT

# Free tax volunteers help families file taxes

The Kentucky Asset Success Initiative (KASI) will operate a free tax preparation site at the Mason County Extension Office in Mason County this year. The dates are Feb. 16 and Feb. 23 at 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. KASI is a coalition of agencies and organizations seeking to empower low- and moderate-income Kentuckians through a variety of asset-building programs. Families with a household income less than \$50,000 are eligible for the free tax preparation service.

On Jan. 31, 2012 free tax preparation services for eligible individuals and families will kick off in Mason County. IRS certified volunteers will be present to prepare and submit federal and state income tax returns. Appointments can be made by calling 502-209-5382 and requesting Mason County.

In 2011, KASI operated sites helped 11,256 working families claim tax refunds totaling \$15.9 million, generating \$24.3 million of economic activity in their communities. This year, working families with three or more children and an income less than \$49,078 if married and filing a joint return may be eligible for a maximum Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) of \$5,751. KASI's member coalitions will host more than 75 sites in 2012.

The goal of the free tax preparation sites is to ensure that more eligible households claim EITC and receive their full refunds rather than paying preparation fees or being tempted by high interest refund anticipation loans, according to Andrea Miller, who will be coordinating this event in partnership with the Mason County Extension Office and the Women's Crisis Center- Buffalo Trace. "For many families, a tax refund is the largest one-time influx of money all year, and the economic boost for individuals and communities is significant." The IRS estimates that as many as twenty percent of taxpayers who are eligible for the EITC do not claim it.

Filers must bring the following documents to their appointment: photo ID and social security card for each person on the return, all W-2 and/or 1099 forms, payments for child care expenses, plus name, address, EIN or SSN of child care provider. Form 1098-T if applicable, student loan interest paid in 2011, mortgage and property tax information, routing and account information for direct deposit and a copy of your 2010 tax return if available. Returns are filed electronically and refunds are usually available in 7-10 days.

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## SCRAPS

FROM A3

Seventeen of the urns were new, valued at more than \$20,000 total.

Former crematory employee Alan Smith was arrested Tuesday on charges of theft, vandalism and desecration.

A judge Wednesday set Smith's bond at \$20,000, and he was being held Wednesday afternoon in the Hamilton County jail. His attorney didn't immediately return a call.

Smith's case will go before a grand jury to determine what charges, if any, he would be tried on.

Catchen said he had fired Smith in late January over attendance problems and other issues.

Later, he found the three

bags of ashes and then noticed that urns were missing from the crematory.

He said he would consult records to replace the urns with the specific style they were originally in.

They came from an older room — the people had died several decades ago — where the urns with remains are kept in "niches," or cubes that have locked doors.

Police said they are still investigating, but they charged Smith after an interview in which he was asked about the missing urns.

Police didn't immediately say how much he allegedly sold the urns for or where.

Catchen said he's never had such a problem at the crematory, which dates to the 19th century and

houses remains of more than 11,000 people. He said a complete inventory will be done to make sure no other remains have been disturbed.

"My stomach's been churning and rolling ever since (he found the bags of ashes)," he said. He said he has been trying to track down the next of kin of the three people to let them know what happened.

The case was mentioned by Cincinnati council members Wednesday before they voted 5-4 for new rules requiring licenses, criminal background checks and a two-day wait to get paid for scrap metal sellers.

"How low can you go, to actually take the urns of someone's loved ones?" said councilman Cecil Thomas. "It just goes to show we're on the right

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CECIL THOMAS, COUNCILMAN

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## CAPTURE

FROM A3

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about 11:50 p.m.

The vehicle was partially covered by construction debris in an attempt to hide it, deputies reported.

It was at this time, as the deputy pulled into the vacant residence, when a man was seen running through the woods nearby.

A door at the side of the home was open, according to sheriff's reports.

The police dog was called to the scene to track the suspect. While deputies were searching with the dog, they located a

stolen drill, the shotgun Metcalfe had been carrying, and a purse taken from the victim, deputies said.

The police dog tracked Metcalfe back to his home on Schlitz Drive.

Deputies found him on his neighbor's porch. He was arrested without incident, according to reports.

Metcalfe was charged with two first-degree misdemeanor counts of domestic violence.

His bail is set \$5,000, according to Brown County jail reports.

## INDICTED

FROM A3

- April Hollandsworth, 27, of Franklin, Ohio, one count of aggravated drug trafficking, a fourth-degree felony.
- Theadesa Combess, 39, of West Union, one count of heroin possession, a fifth-degree felony.
- Daniel Brown, 49, of

Georgetown, one count of operating a vehicle while intoxicated with a specification, a third-degree felony.

- Mark A. Cole, 30, of Peebles, one count of breaking and entering, grand theft, and possessing a weapon while under a disability.

These are third and fifth-degree felonies, according to the Adams County Prosecutor's Office.



## DEATHS ELSEWHERE

# Irish character actor David Kelly dies at 82

STARRED IN 'WAKING NED,' 'CHOCOLATE FACTORY'

SHAWN POGATCHNIK  
Associated Press

DUBLIN | Irish character actor David Kelly, who played Grandpa Joe in "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" and motorcycled naked in "Waking Ned Devine," has died. He was 82.

His family and friends said Kelly died Sunday in Dublin after an acting career on stage, film, TV and radio that spanned a half-century. His cause of death was not announced.

Kelly was best known in Ireland for his 1980 depiction of doomed tenement dweller Rashers Tierney in the historical miniseries "Strumpet City" and for his large body of work as a Dublin stage actor in the 1950s and 1960s.

British and Irish TV viewers also could recognize his face and bony frame from short, usually comedic turns on myriad soaps and sitcoms, most memorably as a work-dodging Irish builder opposite John Cleese in a 1975 episode of "Fawlty Towers." He also played a dim-witted, one-armed dishwasher in the late 1970s British sitcom "Robin's Nest."

A longtime colleague, Gate Theatre director Michael Colgan, noted Kelly's old-school charms, punctuated by his propensity for bow ties and smart suits.

"In rehearsal he had a biting wit. He wouldn't do a part unless he knew he could bring something to it no one else could," Colgan said.

Whenever he was filming programs at Irish broadcasters RTE, Kelly was a common sight for Dubliner commuters on the bus traveling from his native district of Goatstown. Kelly was always at the back of the bus, appearing to be talking to himself, but actually memorizing his day's lines.

Irish comedian Niall Tobin, who worked alongside Kelly in the 1990s village comedy-drama series "Ballykissangel," said Kelly "would make you laugh all the time. Even when he was in the depths of a hangover, he would make you laugh."

Usually consigned to bit parts in film, Kelly's two most prominent roles came late in life.

In 1998's "Waking Ned Devine" he portrayed an Irish villager who must im-

personate the late Devine to collect a huge lottery win — and finds himself hurtling down a muddy road, naked apart from his motorcycle helmet, socks and shoes, to keep the ruse intact.

Kelly often joked that his career took off in his 70s once casting agents finally knew about his sexy body.

In 2005 he played Charlie Bucket's grandfatherly escort in Tim Burton's adaptation of the fantasy world of Willy Wonka. That year he also received a lifetime achievement award from the Irish Film & Television Academy.

His final role was in 2007's fantasy film " Stardust," in which he played the guard between the English village of Wall and the magical kingdom of Stormhold.

Kelly's Dublin funeral at the Catholic Church of the Miraculous Medal and cremation are scheduled for Thursday. He is survived by his wife, actress Laurie Morton, and their two children.

Online: Kelly's 2005 lifetime achievement speech, <http://bit.ly/wSxRNn>. In 2000 RTE production of



ASSOCIATED PRESS

In this Oct. 17, 1998 file photo, Irish actor David Kelly poses for a portrait in a Dublin park. Kelly, who cycled nude in "Waking Ned Devine" and played Grandpa Joe in the 2005 adaptation of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," has died, his family and colleagues announced. He was 82. Kelly died Sunday Feb. 12, 2012 after a short illness and an acting career that spanned a half-century.

Samuel Beckett's 'Rough for Theatre,' <http://bit.ly/wq-47FL>. His 1975 appearance on 'Fawlty Towers,' <http://bit.ly/yW9lpf>.

His naked motorcycle run in 1998's 'Waking Ned,' <http://bit.ly/w8twTf>.

# Charles Anthony, Met record-holder, dies at 82

RONALD BLUM  
Associated Press

NEW YORK | Charles Anthony, a character singer who set the record for most appearances at the Metropolitan Opera — 2,928 — during a career that spanned from 1954 to 2010, died Wednesday. He was 82.

Anthony, a tenor, died at his home in Tampa, Fla., from kidney failure following a long illness, Met spokesman Peter Clark said.

Beginning his career at the old Met on Broadway and moving uptown with the company to its new home at Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in 1966, Anthony was a "comprimario," or supporting singer.

He shared the stage with the greatest classical artists of several eras, performing in the Met debuts of Marian Anderson, Birgit Nilsson, Jon Vickers, Leontyne Price, Franco Corelli, Joan Sutherland, Elisabeth Schwarzkopf and Jose Carreras.

"It's no exaggeration to say that Charlie Anthony is the soul of the Metropolitan Opera," Joseph Volpe, then the Met's general manager, said when Anthony was honored during an intermission in Puccini's "Tosca" in 2004.

Born Calogero Antonio Caruso in New Orleans in 1929, Anthony entered the



ASSOCIATED PRESS

In this 1957 photo released by The Metropolitan Opera, tenor Charles Anthony is shown in a promotional photo for Verdi's "La Traviata." Anthony, who holds the record for most appearances at the Metropolitan Opera during a career that spanned from 1954-2010, died Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2012 in Florida. He was 82.

Met's Auditions of the Air competition in 1952.

Met general manager Rudolf Bing feared that the public would think he was related to the great tenor Enrico Caruso and that the young singer would be burdened with expectations — so Bing persuaded him to change his name a half-hour before air time.

Milton Cross, the Met's broadcast host, apparently played a role in the decision on what name to take.

"I couldn't think of anything, so we just dropped Caruso, which made grandfather furious," An-

thony told The New York Times in 1992.

Anthony made his Met debut as the Simpleton in Mussorsky's "Boris Godunov" on March 6, 1954, with George London in the title role.

"Probably few who saw the performance will forget him," the Times wrote two days later. "Anthony had better be careful. If he does other bit parts so vividly, he'll be stamped as a character singer for life."

Which is exactly what happened.

His most frequent roles were the Innkeeper in Strauss' "Der Rosenkavalier" (159), Ruiz in Verdi's "Il Trovatore" (141), Gastone in Verdi's "La Traviata" (136) and Spoletta in "Tosca."

On Feb. 17, 1992, singing the role of Borsa the courtier in Verdi's "Rigoletto," Anthony made his 2,396th appearance, breaking the record baritone George Cehanovsky set from 1926-66. Conductor James Levine is now second at 2,442.

Anthony sang his farewell as Emperor Altoum in Puccini's "Turandot" on Jan. 28, 2010.

Survivors include his wife, Eleanor; son, Anthony Caruso; daughters Anna Beth Burgmeier and Barbara Liriano; seven grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. A private funeral is scheduled for Saturday.

Louis alone has 80,000."

She said Warren County has about 5,000 Bosnians.

The convention is geared toward Islamic Bosnians, "but all Bosnians are invited and we want Americans to come as well," she said.

While some who attend will stay with family, she said hotels and campgrounds are sure to get many visitors.

She said the convention will include a meeting of U.S. Bosnian Islamic leaders and will celebrate accomplishments of Bosnian-Americans.

She told the Daily News that the mosque is only the second of its kind in the country and the convention is being held in the city specifically for the dedication.

Organizer Gina Dzelil of Bowling Green said previous meetings in larger cities such as Phoenix have drawn 25,000 people.

"We should know more in the next few weeks how many people will be coming for sure," Dzelil said. "Within a six-hour drive of Bowling Green, there are 160,000 Bosnians. St.

# Thousands expected for dedication

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOWLING GREEN | The dedication of a mosque in Bowling Green this spring is expected to attract up to 15,000 visitors.

The North American Bosniak Convention is being held in the city May 25-28 and will center on the formal dedication of the Bosnian Islamic Center of Bowling Green, according to Vicki Fitch, executive director of the Bowling Green Area Convention and Visitors Bureau.

## FUNERAL SERVICES

### TODAY

**Robert Maurice Colgan** — 11 a.m., Unity Baptist Church, Flemingsburg.  
**Hiram Henderson** — 1 p.m., Hickory Grove Church, Tollesboro.

### FRIDAY

**Ithel J. Smith** — 1 p.m., Gaydos Funeral Home, Vanceburg.  
**SUNDAY, FEB. 19**  
**John M. Belcher** — 2 p.m., McKendree Cemetery, Buena Vista, Ohio.

### SATURDAY, FEB. 25

**Sister Louisa Dwyer** — 10 a.m., St. Patrick Church, Maysville.

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# From New York to Asia, Lin is a hoops sensation

BRIAN MAHONEY  
Associated Press

NEW YORK | Bigger than Shaq? Larger than LeBron? The Knicks as NBA champions? (Don't laugh too hard at that last one. The odds are getting better, according to one online sports book.)

Nothing seems too Lin-conceivable now after Jeremy Lin's incredible first week as an NBA starter, and the story keeps getting better.

The undrafted player from Harvard made a 3-pointer with half a second left Tuesday night to give the Knicks a 90-87 victory at Toronto. The Knicks returned home Wednesday to host Sacramento, looking for a seventh straight victory that would get them back to .500 after an 8-15 start.

Lin joined the rotation only then, starting the last five games, so hold off on making him a Michael Jordan, Shaquille O'Neal or LeBron James just yet. But the Knicks have seen enough to believe this ride may last a while longer.

See **LIN**, A8



ASSOCIATED PRESS

New York Knicks guard Jeremy Lin (17) celebrates with teammates Tyson Chandler and Landry Fields (2) after his game-winning 3-pointer against the Toronto Raptors in an NBA basketball game in Toronto on Tuesday.

## Mason celebrating pair of region crowns

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March marks the 25th anniversary of Mason County's last girls 10th Region tournament championship, as well as the 1987 boys state tourney team.

Friday night each team will re-assemble to be recognized at the senior night doubleheader in the Fieldhouse, along with coaches, cheerleaders, managers and other assorted staff.

The 1987 Lady Royals will be recognized at halftime of Friday's girls game against Montgomery County beginning at 6 p.m. The boys team from 25 years ago will take the floor at halftime of the boys' contest against Nicholas County, scheduled to begin at about 8.

Jerry Butler has been spearheading communications for the 1987 Royals, while Lareina

Bierley — the former Lareina Cropper — is rounding up the girls. The idea for the recognition came from Mason athletic department staffer Fred Hester, both said.

Both look forward to an exciting evening.

"It's a great pleasure that the school and the administration recognized former athletes that played in the state tournament, not only from the boys standpoint but the girls as well," Butler said. "And you get to kinda pay tribute to some of your former coaches, and it's a reunion-type thing, to reminisce over some of the good times we had on the court and off the court as well."

Bierley added: "It's kind of exciting for me just to meet the girls again, to see the girls, and all the girls that I've talked to have been excited, and it's kind of an honor that they've called us back

together to recognize us. We didn't expect anything like that."

The 1986-1987 Royals, coached by Allen Feldhaus, went 31-3 and reached the second game of the state tournament before losing to eventual state runner-up Ballard, 64-62. That team featured future "Unforgettable" Deron Feldhaus, who scored 23.6 points per game that season, to go along with Butler's 14.1 ppg.

Of the 13 players on that team, Butler looks for at least nine to show up. One, Chad Fletcher, is a career military man serving in Afghanistan and will be represented Friday by his father. One more, Scottie Morgan, died in a 1998 car accident and will be represented by his three children, Butler said.

See **MASON**, A8



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JERRY BUTLER, HEAD OF '87 ROYALS COMMUNICATION

## NBA legend raising awareness

KYLE HIGHTOWER  
Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. | Oscar Robertson is stepping back into the spotlight.

After living quietly in Ohio, the NBA Hall of Famer is bringing awareness to an issue affecting people who might have never heard his name: Prostate cancer.

Robertson was stricken with the disease about a year ago and had his prostate removed in successful robotic procedure. Cancer-free, he is serving as honorary chairman at the International Prostate Cancer Foundation's gala in Orlando next month.

"I usually take test for it every year, but I didn't for whatever reason about a year ago. I was just a routine test that you take all the time and they discovered cancer cells," Robertson, 73, said in a phone interview with The Associated Press. "I just wanted to know how I got it because had it checked every two years."

See **LEGEND**, A9



OSCAR ROBERTSON

### FLEMING COUNTY 79, MORGAN COUNTY 57

## Fleming seniors, sophs shine in rout of Morgan

### PANTHERS' DEFENSE FORCES 25 TURNOVERS

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FLEMINGSBURG | In the first of back-to-back senior nights at Fleming County High School, the boys basketball team celebrated its senior night with a 79-57 victory over Morgan County on Wednesday evening.

The Panthers honored a pair of seniors, Darrin Brooks and Travis Taylor, who played their final game in the Den.

Brooks came off the bench to score two points and grab a team-high six rebounds.

Taylor, who scored his 1,000th career point with his first basket of the evening, tied for team scoring honors with sophomores Darion Burns and Troy Steward with 16 points. Taylor also dished out a game-high seven assists.

Burns was also recognized prior to the game for scoring his 1,000th point against Butler on Jan. 21.

Fleming used a 15-0 run to break the game open and take a 27-8 lead with 6:56 left in the second quarter. The run began with a Steward 3-pointer at the 1:21 mark of the first quarter. Burns followed with a driving layup and after Bryson McKee made one of two free throws, Burns got to the rim agains for a bucket with five seconds left.

Fourteen seconds into the second frame, Burns broke free for a slam and Taylor followed with a 3-pointer at the 7:10 mark. Brooks drained a pair of foul shots to give the Panthers 19 consecutive points.

The run was finally halted when Morgan eighth-grader Jordan Perry sank the first of

his four 3-pointers of the game and began a 10-0 run for the Cougars. Senior forward Jogas Lasic, a 6-foot-8 foreign exchange student from Serbia, scored back-to-back baskets and Perry hit another trey to slice the Fleming lead to nine.

Morgan hung around early in the third quarter, closing the deficit to five when Lasic scored at the 5:01 mark.

The Panthers answered with a 9-0 run and cruised to the win, evening their record at 15-15.

Brady Saunders, who scored 14 points, began the run with a basket and Desmond McAdams followed with a 3-pointer before Burns came up with a steal and basket on the in-bounds pass after McAdams' trey. Taylor finished off the run with a bucket and Fleming was in front 50-36 with 2:37 left in the third.

Lasic led all scorers with 20 points and also hauled down 11 rebounds.

See **FLEMING**, A8



"I'm glad we were able to get going defensively after we looked like we had some tired legs in the first half. We got after it in the third and fourth quarters the way we're capable."

BRIAN KELLY,  
FLEMING COUNTY COACH

### 'MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL' SWITCHING TO 2-MAN BOOTH

BRISTOL, Conn. | "Monday Night Football" is switching to a two-man booth.

Analyst Ron Jaworski has signed a five-year contract extension to appear on other programming on ESPN and will no longer join play-by-play announcer Mike Tirico and color commentator Jon Gruden on Monday nights, the network said Wednesday.

Jaworski, the former Philadelphia Eagles quarterback, will work various ESPN studio shows year-round, often focusing on his specialty of breaking down video.

Jaworski called "Monday Night Football" games the past five seasons.

Gruden, the former Raiders and Buccaneers coach, joined MNF in 2009 and agreed to a five-year extension in October.

This is the first time in 15 years ESPN has used a two-person lead team on its NFL game coverage. — **AP**

### UCONN COACH WILL MISS AT LEAST NEXT 3 GAMES

STORRS, Conn. | Connecticut coach Jim Calhoun will miss at least three more games while he receives treatment for his ailing back.

The school says Calhoun, who sat out the team's last three games as a result of spinal stenosis, also will miss Wednesday night's game against DePaul, Saturday's game against Marquette and Monday's game against Villanova.

Calhoun in a statement says doctors have pinpointed the cause of his pain and he is moving forward with treatment.

The coach says he is hoping to know by the middle of next week when he can return to work.

The Huskies (15-9, 5-7 Big East) are 1-2 in Calhoun's latest absence and have lost six of their last seven games. George Blaney will continue to coach the team. — **AP**

### ALI, JENNER, RETTON APPEAR ON RETRO WHEATIES BOXES

LOS ANGELES | Muhammad Ali, Bruce Jenner and Mary Lou Retton are appearing on new Wheaties boxes featuring retro images of the Olympic champions.

The boxes were unveiled Wednesday in Los Angeles and will be available on store shelves nationwide.

Wheaties marketing manager Betsy Frost says fans have been asking for the trio to be featured on cereal boxes again.

Ali won a gold medal in boxing at the 1960 Rome Olympics; Jenner was the decathlon champion at the 1976 Montreal Games; and Retton won the all-around gold at the 1984 Los Angeles Games. — **AP**

### MILO HAMILTON TO LEAVE ASTROS BOOTH AT END OF 2012

HOUSTON | Baseball Hall of Fame broadcaster Milo Hamilton, who had the memorable call on Henry Aaron's 715th home run, will retire as the radio voice of the Houston Astros after the 2012 season.

This will be the 84-year-old Hamilton's 28th year with the Astros and 59th year overall calling Major League Baseball games.

He will remain with the team after this season working mostly on special events, but will make sporadic appearances on radio broadcasts.

Hamilton made the call on Aaron's 715th home run on April 8, 1974, as a broadcaster for the Atlanta Braves. He has also called 11 no-hitters, Nolan Ryan's 4,000th strikeout in 1985 and Craig Biggio's 3,000th hit in 2007.

The Astros will honor him with "Milo Hamilton Day" on his 85th birthday Sept. 2. — **AP**



# MASON

FROM A7

That year’s Lady Royals won the last of their five straight region titles that year, all under coach Bob Hutchison. Mason compiled a 19-12 mark, including a 59-33 defeat of Bourbon County to win the region, before losing to Christian County 46-42 in the state tourney.

Angie Garrett, who is third on the Lady Royals’ career scoring list behind De’Sarae Chambers and Lacey Cline, scored 17.4 points a game for that team, and Shannon Litton netted 14.5 a contest.

Bierley, the team’s center and mother of current Lady Royal sophomore Alivia, heard about the idea from Hester and Butler and got to work reaching out to her former teammates.

“I thanked ‘em very much for the opportunity, and I kinda just jumped

right in and started calling and Facebooking and texting and emailing,” she said.

One member of that team, Christy Hay, is deceased, Bierley said. She got ahold of most everyone else and expects at least eight players plus Hutchison to attend Friday.

“I’m very excited,” she said. “They told us we get to be on the stage around 5:30 so we can get together and talk. The girls I’ve been talking to on Facebook, one called to talk to me for a couple hours just catching up with our past, and it was just like being a teenager all over again. When you’re a teenager, you don’t realize how short four years of playing together (and) being in high school is, and then you blink and all of a sudden it’s 25 years later.”

The impending reunion has reminded Bierley of what she gained from the experience of being on the team besides basketball.

“There’s so much that

sports offered girls back then more than just playing and competing,” she said. “We learned sportsmanship, and we got to travel. One year we went all the way to Kansas City because of our AAU team ... and I can’t tell you how much that means to a girl, having success and having that kind of experience.”

And with the event scheduled right before the current Royals and Lady Royals enter postseason play, the former players hope their example will rub off.

“Mason County basketball over the years has garnered the reputation of ‘tradition never graduates,’” Butler said, quoting an oft-used Royals slogan. “That’s what Mason County basketball is all about is hard work. We always tried to outwork our opponents. We may not be the most talented players on the floor, but we tend to outwork our opponents and get the most out of our talent when we’re between

the lines.”

“I would hope to have some kind of connection, being a veteran ballplayer,” Bierley added. “If I was ever asked, ‘What would you like to say to the girls?’ Never give up, the next game is a brand new game, you’ve got talent, pool your resources and play together as a team. That’s the way we did it.”

“Use the talents the good Lord gave you and you give your best effort every game. Forget the last game, focus on the next one.”

In addition to the 25th anniversary recognition, Friday will feature the usual senior night festivities for Royals seniors Tyler Black, Josh Harris, Cody Hamm, Zaire Henry, Connor Osborne and Tanner Walton, Lady Royals seniors Courtney Moran and Christen Cropper, and senior cheerleaders and athletic staff.

The first-through seventh-grade peewee teams will also be recognized, coach Chris O’Hearn said.

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## PREP SCHEDULE

**Thursday, Feb. 16**  
**BOYS’ BASKETBALL**  
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Augusta at Williamstown  
Lewis County at Bath County  
**GIRLS’ BASKETBALL**  
St. Patrick at Fleming County  
Peebles vs. Minford, sectional tournament at Lucasville Valley, 8 p.m.  
**All varsity tip-offs scheduled for 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted; times subject to change**

## SPORTS ON TV

**Thursday, Feb. 16**  
**GOLF 9 A.M.**  
TGC — European PGA Tour, Avantha Masters, first round, at New Delhi (same-day tape)  
**12:30 P.M.**  
TGC — LPGA Thailand, first round, at Chonburi, Thailand (same-day tape)  
**3 P.M.**  
TGC — PGA Tour, Northern Trust Open, first round, at Los Angeles  
**MEN’S COLLEGE BASKETBALL 7 P.M.**  
ESPN — Wisconsin at Michigan State

# FLEMING

FROM A7

Perry tallied 18 and junior forward Jordan Whitt added 10 for Morgan, which fell to 11-15.

The Cougars shot the ball well, finishing the game at 52.1 percent on 25-for-48 from the field but they had difficulty against the Fleming pressure defense, which forced 25 turnovers.

The Panthers connected on 30 of 69 from the floor for 43.5 percent and committed just seven turnovers.

Fleming coach Brian

Kelly was pleased with his squad’s defensive effort.

“I’m glad we were able to get going defensively after we looked like we had some tired legs in the first half,” he said. “We got after it in the third and fourth quarters the way we’re capable.”

Kelly was impressed with Morgan’s Lasic and Perry.

“Perry’s a very good and quick point guard,” said the coach. “The big kid was even bigger than I thought he was going to be and he can play. He has a very good touch around the basket and when he catches the ball in the paint, he’s usually going to

score.”

The Panthers begin postseason play next Tuesday in the 61st District tournament when they will meet Menifee County at Bath County High School and Kelly reflected on the season.

“I know we played an outrageous schedule, playing six of the top 25 teams in the state but it has made us mentally tougher,” Kelly said. “We’ve come 100 miles from where we were at the start of the season but we’re still a little ways away. I don’t know of any coach who isn’t a perfectionist and there are still some things we need to

work on before we play Menifee, which is a good team. We have to block out better, we need to be more active offensively against a zone and defensively, we need to not reach so much.”

<b>Morgan</b>	8	19	15	15	57
<b>Fleming</b>	20	17	23	19	79
<b>MC:</b> Whitt 10, Whisman 2, Perry 18, Ross 2, Lasic 20, Burton 2, Conley 2, Patterson 1, Clinger 0, Total 57					
<b>FC:</b> Steward 16, Burns 16, Taylor 16, Saunders 14, McKee 9, McAdams 4, Brooks 2, Thomas 2, Crumbie 0, Williams 0, Scott 0, Conway 0, Puente 0, Slagle 0, Total 79					
<b>3-pointers:</b> MC 4 (Perry 4), FC 7 (Steward 2, Taylor 2, McKee 2, McAdams)					
<b>Records:</b> Morgan County 11-15, Fleming County 15-15.					

# LIN

FROM A7

“I don’t know when there’s an ending. Maybe there won’t,” coach Mike D’Antoni said.

Lin’s story has blown straight past the New York sports pages and all their cute headlines like “Val-Lin-tine’s Day,” all the way to a basketball-crazed continent on the other side of the world, where he’s been “kind of like the great Asian hope,” said Orin Starn, professor and chair of Cultural Anthropology at Duke.

Lin has done wonders for shares of Madison Square Garden Inc., the company that owns the Knicks, the Garden and the namesake sports network. The stock has surged 9 percent since Lin

began his heroics Feb. 4, reaching an all-time high of \$33.18 earlier this week before retreating slightly to close at \$31.91 Wednesday.

“Rangers and Knicks fans do tend to buy the stock when the teams are doing well,” said Miller Tabak analyst David Joyce.

And Linsanity has reached America’s most powerful basketball fan, with President Barack Obama talking about Lin’s winner Wednesday.

White House spokesman Jay Carney said Lin was “just a great story, and the president was saying as much this morning.”

Lin arrived in New York in December with no guarantee he would last more than a few weeks. Already cut by Golden State and Houston this season, he was so hesitant to get comfortable in his

new home that he refused to even get his own.

Instead, he slept at his brother’s place in the city, and crashed on teammate Landry Fields’ couch the night before his breakout game against New Jersey on Feb. 4.

Even an Ivy League education couldn’t help Lin explain what’s happened since — scoring the most points (136) in any player’s first five games as a starter since the NBA merged with the ABA in 1976, and a contract that’s guaranteed for the rest of the season.

“No, but I believe in an all-powerful and all-knowing God who does miracles,” Lin said.

If that sounds familiar, yes, Lin has been frequently compared to Denver quarterback Tim Tebow. Both relied on their faith as much as their previously overlooked skills to guide them through hot streaks that made them sensations even beyond their sports.

Tebow carried the Broncos right into the playoffs, and now there are some who believe Lin can do the same with the Knicks.

The Knicks were 40-1 odds to win the NBA championship on Bovada.lv before Lin’s run began. Now, they’re down to 18-1

and conjuring up memories of another New York team.

“A guy like this is great for the game and has drawn a lot of interest from bettors on the Knicks games also,” Kevin Bradley, the sports book’s manager, said in a statement. “I am having visions of how the public was treating the Giants going into the Super Bowl being the hottest team in the NFL and costing us a mint, and right now the Knicks are by far the biggest loser for the book.”

Not everybody is convinced. Boxer Floyd Mayweather Jr. played down Lin mania on Twitter, saying that Lin is just doing what plenty of black players do but is getting more attention because of his Asian heritage.

And Lin is certain to cool off. It’s one thing to beat teams such as the Nets and Wizards when they’ve barely had time to learn your name. It’s another when NBA defenses are prepared to stop you.

“He’s a marked man now. He’s not going to sneak up on anybody, and every night’s going to be tough,” D’Antoni said.

## THIS DAY IN SPORTS

**FEB. 16**  
1961 — Elgin Baylor of Los Angeles scores 57 points to lead the Lakers over the Detroit Pistons 129-106.  
1967 — Rick Barry of the San Francisco Warriors scores 52 points against Chicago at Fresno for his second consecutive 50-point game.  
1969 — Alex Delvecchio of the Detroit Red Wings gets his 1,000th point with an assist in a 6-3 victory over the Los Angeles Kings.  
1970 — Joe Frazier retains his world heavyweight title with a fifth-round knockout of Jimmy Ellis.  
1972 — Wilt Chamberlain of the Los Angeles Lakers becomes the first player in NBA history to reach the 30,000-point mark during a 110-109 loss to the Phoenix Suns.  
1992 — Martina Navratilova becomes the career singles titles leader by beating Jana Novotna in three sets in the final of the Virginia Slims of Chicago. Navratilova, with her 158th career singles championship, passes Chris Evert, who retired in 1989.  
1992 — Chicago’s Michel Goulet becomes the 17th NHL player to score 500 goals, getting one in the first period of the Blackhawks’ 5-5 tie with Calgary.  
1997 — Jeff Gordon, 25, becomes the youngest winner of the Daytona 500 after Dale Earnhardt crashes 12 laps from the end to prolong his Daytona 500 jinx.  
2001 — Philadelphia coach Larry Brown earns his 1,000th professional win, including his ABA record. Brown, 1,000-707 overall, ranks third on the career list behind Toronto’s Lenny Wilkens and Miami’s Pat Riley. Allen Iverson’s 42 points leads the 76ers to a 108-93 win over the Los Angeles Clippers.  
2003 — San Antonio caps its nine-game road trip with a 104-101 victory over Sacramento for its NBA-record eighth straight road win on one trip. Five of the wins by the Spurs are against playoff contenders.  
2004 — Pittsburgh loses an NHL-record 12th straight home game, 8-4 to Toronto.  
2005 — The NHL cancels what was left of its decimated schedule after a round of last-gasp negotiations failed to resolve differences over a salary cap — the flash-point issue that led to a lockout. It’s the first time a major pro sports league in North America lost an entire season to a labor dispute.  
2009 — Harness driver Brian Sears drives seven winners on the Presidents Day afternoon card at the Meadowlands. The last driver to win seven races on a 10-race card at the Meadowlands was John Campbell on Feb. 3, 1983.

## SPORTS CALENDAR

**BASEBALL**  
Maysville Knighthouse is seeking managers for the 2012 season. For more information, call Larry W. Dunaway at 606-584-7605.  
**BASKETBALL**  
A sixth-grade girls round-robin basketball tournament is at Simons Middle School in Flemingsburg from Feb. 17-19. The first six teams to sign up will be accepted. The entry fee is \$150 with a guarantee of five games. The event is sponsored by Fleming County Lady Panthers softball. For more information, call Becky Boyd at 606-748-7806.  
The Lewis County Hoops Mania Tournament for boys in grades 3-6 will be held on Feb. 25-26 in the middle school and high school gyms. Entry fee is \$100 per team. For more information, call Todd Ruckel at 606-202-1406 or Joe Hampton at 606-776-7980.  
The third annual Roundball Classic is March 10-11 at Lewis County High School, Lewis County Middle School and Central Elementary gyms and is sponsored by the LCHS football program. The entry fee is \$100. For more information, call John Holder at 606-796-2531 or 606-202-3009, or Harlan “Bub” Lee at 606-798-6006 or 606-301-1048.  
**RUNNING**  
The Lewis County High School baseball team is hosting “The Roaring Lion” 5K walk/run March 10 in Vanceburg at 11 a.m. Registration is \$20, which includes a T-shirt. Day-of-race registration is at Trace Creek Construction beginning at 9 a.m. For more information, call Keith Prater at 606-796-2823 or email keith.prater@lewis.kyschools.us or call Kenny Ruckel at 606-541-6244 or email kdrukcel@gmail.com.  
**SOCCER**  
Itty Bitty Indoor Soccer for kids ages 3-6 is coming to the Limestone Family YMCA beginning Feb. 22. Games are Wednesdays from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. Cost is \$30 for YMCA members and \$40 for non-members. For more information, call Harry Lewis at 606-564-6772.

# Penn State’s Paterno remembered at Pa. memorial

MARK SCOLFORD Associated Press

HARRISBURG, Pa. | Former Penn State football coach Joe Paterno was remembered at a memorial Mass on Wednesday as an inspirational leader, devoted family man and someone who tried to live according to the tenets of his religion.

“He was not afraid to be the fully alive human being that God called him to be,” said Bishop Joseph McFadden, during the 90-minute ceremony at the Cathedral Parish of St. Patrick in downtown Harrisburg.

Paterno’s son Scott recalled how his father valued a row, wooden dining room table, describing it as a metaphor for his inclusive approach to life.

“That table was to my father what the Academy was to Plato,” Scott Paterno said.

Joe Paterno died at age 85 last month after a brief battle with lung cancer. The final months of his life were marked by a child sex-abuse scandal for which his former assistant, Jerry Sandusky, awaits trial on 52 criminal counts. Sandusky denies the allegations.

Scott Paterno said his father showed courage and confidence as death approached, and he exhibited no fear or anxiety.

“I watched my father live every day he had left without malice in his heart or bitterness on his lips,” he told the hundreds of people inside the cavernous Roman Catholic church. “He was determined at every turn, in every moment, to ensure that he made an impact.”

Among the attendees was Gov. Tom Corbett, who did not speak at the memorial but told reporters afterward he wanted to be there because he missed the Jan. 25 funeral and memorial services in State College, where thousands of mourners packed the basketball arena following the former coach’s burial.

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# Maddon agrees to 3-year extension with Rays

2011 MANAGER OF THE YEAR  
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FRED GOODALL  
AP Baseball Writer

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. | The reigning AL manager of the year isn't going anywhere.

That is, unless you're counting spring training, where Joe Maddon is eager to get to work after agreeing to a three-year contract extension that could keep him in Tampa Bay's dugout through 2015.

The Rays formally announced the deal with the 58-year-old manager during a news conference at Tropicana Field on Wednesday.

Maddon has led the team to the playoffs three of the past four seasons and believes they have an excellent chance of getting back again this year.

Maddon said while he's flattered by speculation that he would have been attractive to other teams

if the Rays had not locked him up long-term that he had no desire to leave Tampa Bay, which has a talented young roster capable of contending for championships for years to come.

"I know the grass — the turf — is not any greener anywhere else," Maddon said. "I wanted to be here."

Maddon is 495-477 in six seasons with the Rays, who struggled through a decade of futility before finally posting the first winning record in franchise history in 2008, when they not only defied the odds by finishing ahead of the New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox for AL East title but made their first World Series appearance.

Tampa Bay won arguably baseball's toughest division again in 2010, then overcame a nine-game deficit in September

to edge Boston for the AL wild-card spot on the final night of last season.

Maddon has excelled despite fielding a team, whose payroll is among the lowest in baseball. A year ago, the Rays lost six key players to free agency and traded two others, yet won 91 games to finish second in the AL East, which traditionally has been dominated by the big spending Yankees and Red Sox.

"We've really grown a lot over the last several years," said Maddon, who lost 101 games in 2006 — his first with Tampa Bay — and 96 the following seasons.

The Rays have averaged 92 wins the past four seasons.

And with one of baseball's youngest and deepest pitching rotations and what could be an improved offensive attack led by Evan Longoria, B.J. Upton, Ben Zobrist, Carlos Pena and Luke Scott, Maddon said the club has everything it takes to return to



ASSOCIATED PRESS  
In this Sept. 30, 2011, file photo, Tampa Bay Rays manager Joe Maddon watches batting practice before Game 1 of baseball's American League division series playoffs against the Texas Rangers in Arlington, Texas.

the postseason.

"We've come up short the last two years in the playoffs, but we did get there," Maddon said, alluding losses to Texas in the divisional round in 2010 and 2011.

"We've got to extend that a little bit as we move forward. ... It's about winning. It is about getting to the last game of the season and winning it the next time we get a chance to be there."

Rays executive vice president of baseball operations Andrew Friedman lauded Maddon's ability to connect with players, develop young talent and always "put the franchise first" in making decisions.

# UK, deaf fan settle suit over closed-captioning

BRETT BARROUQUERE  
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE | Charles Mitchell won't be able to hear the crowd noise or announcements when he goes to a University of Kentucky football game this fall, but he will be able to track announcements and read the words to "My Old Kentucky Home."

Mitchell, a deaf football season ticket holder from Lancaster, Ky., and the university have settled a lawsuit over closed-captioning at Commonwealth Stadium. The parties told

U.S. District Judge Joseph M. Hood on Tuesday they had reached an agreement.

One of Mitchell's attorneys, Laren Knoll of Columbus, Ohio, told The Associated Press that captions for all public address announcements should be on the scoreboard and ribbon boards when the Wildcats kickoff Sept. 8 against Kent State. Knoll said the practice started late last year, but should be fully implemented by the 2012 season.

"It's a good start," Knoll said. "Hopefully, he feels more included this year."

University of Kentucky spokesman DeWayne Peevy said the school added the captioning when it spent \$6.5 million to install new scoreboards and ribbon boards at the stadium last year. Peevy did not have a specific cost for adding closed-captioning to the boards.

"We put it all in together," Peevy said.

Mitchell sued in May seeking to force the university to put captions for all game announcements on the scoreboards of the stadium under the Americans With Disabilities Act,

which bars discrimination against people with disabilities. The suit was similar to cases brought against Ohio State University and the NFL's Washington Redskins.

The Kentucky lawsuit arose about a year ago after Mitchell sent an email to the University of Kentucky requesting the school provide captioning at Commonwealth Stadium for home football games. Knoll said the school didn't respond to that request and denied a similar request from individuals who were deaf or hard of hearing.

The final settlement paperwork hasn't been filed with the court, but is due to Hood by March 2. Knoll said along with announcements, the school will put up the lyrics to "My Old Kentucky Home," which is traditionally sung at games, and the "Star Spangled Banner."

In the case of the Washington Redskins, the team added closed-captioning to the scoreboard of FedEx Field shortly after three people sued in 2006. The lawsuit went forward and a federal judge ruled that the team's failure to put the

lyrics of songs played in the stadium on the scoreboard, among other omissions violated the law.

A federal appeals court upheld that decision last year.

Ohio State spends about \$3,000 per football game and \$1,000-\$1,500 for other athletic events on the accommodation.

The school captions all public address and play-by-play announcements at the bottom of a large video scoreboard of the football stadium and on television screens in the concourse areas.

# LEGEND

FROM A7

"But I had some numbers that went up a little bit and that was the indicator something was wrong."

While the initial news after a blood test last spring was surprising for the only player in NBA history to average a triple-double for an entire season (1961-62), it wasn't the first serious medical issue he's faced since his playing days.

In 1997 Robertson donated a kidney to his then-33-year-old daughter Tia, who was suffering from lupus. That was a no-brainer for the father of two.

But with no previous history of prostate cancer in his family, he had to revert back to lessons he learned during his playing days and went into scouting-mode against his new opponent.

"I got on the Internet and found out about cures like radiation and some kind of process called protons," Robertson recalled. "I talked to lot of doctors about it and decided I'd rather have mine taken out."

Robertson sought a non-invasive procedure and doctors in Ohio eventually steered him to Dr. Vipul Patel, a renowned urologist in Orlando. The most experienced surgeon worldwide over all surgical specialties, Patel had performed more than 3,500 robotic prostate surgeries.

Having grown up in Los Angeles and been a fan of the hometown Lakers, Patel instantly made the name connection. After a brief consultation Robertson was sold and flew to Florida.

"Obviously, the Big O, everybody knows him," Patel said. "I actually met him in person the day before surgery. He'd already decided what he wanted to do."

The procedure was performed and he was able to go home the next day. Now approaching a year following the surgery, Patel said Robertson is cancer-free and has an excellent prognosis going forward.

During his more than 60-year association with basketball, Robertson earned both championships and pioneer status.

Now, much like he did in helping out a future generation of NBA players in achieving a more favorable work environment, Robertson has shifted his attention to helping others through his own experience.

"I've learned that it is something that will get all men before you leave this earth," Robertson said. "If it's a situation where you have to get it taken out, take it out. If not, go on with your life."

"There have been situations for people I know that didn't survive. I guess I was one of the lucky ones."

He's working with Patel's newly-formed International Prostate Cancer Foundation.

A founder of the National Basketball Retired Players Association, Robertson also has already reached out to associates across the NBA, including current NBA players' union executive director Billy Hunter, to enlist their help in future awareness initiatives.

According to the National Cancer Institute, African-American men have the highest incidence rate for prostate cancer in the United States and are twice as likely to die from it as white males.

"No doubt about. I want to raise awareness in all communities," Robertson said.

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# As many as 300 killed in Honduras prison fire

WORLD'S DEADLIEST  
IN 8 DECADES

FREDDY CUEVAS  
Associated Press

TEGUCIGALPA, Hon-  
duras | A fire started by  
an inmate tore through  
an overcrowded prison in  
Honduras, burning and  
suffocating screaming men  
in their locked cells as res-  
cuers desperately searched  
for keys. As many as 300  
people were killed in the  
world's deadliest prison  
fire in eight decades.  
The local governor,  
who was once a prison  
employee, told reporters  
Wednesday that an inmate  
called her moments before  
the blaze broke out and  
screamed: "I will set this  
place on fire and we are all  
going to die!"

Comayagua Gov. Paola  
Castro said she called the  
Red Cross and fire brigade  
immediately. But firefigh-  
ters said they were kept  
outside for half an hour by  
guards who fired their guns  
in the air, thinking they  
had a riot or a breakout on  
their hands.

Officials have long had  
little control over condi-  
tions inside many Hondu-  
ran prisons, where inmates  
have largely unfettered  
access to cell phones and  
other contraband.

Survivors told investiga-  
tors the unidentified in-  
mate yelled "We will all die  
here!" as he lit fire to his  
bedding late Tuesday night  
in the prison in the central  
town of Comayagua, north  
of the capital of Teguci-  
galpa. The lockup housed  
people convicted of serious  
crimes such as homicide  
and armed robbery.

The blaze spread within  
minutes, killing about 100  
inmates in their cells as  
firefighters struggled to  
find officials who had keys,  
Comayagua fire depart-  
ment spokesman Josue  
Garcia said.

"We couldn't get them  
out because we didn't have  
the keys and couldn't find  
the guards who had them,"  
Garcia said.

Other prisoners were  
set free by guards but died  
from the flames or smoke  
as they tried to flee into  
the fields surrounding the  
facility, where prisoners  
grew corn and beans on a  
state-run farm.

Rescuers carried shirt-  
less, semiconscious pris-  
oners from the facility by  
their arms and legs. One  
hailed a victim away by  
piggyback.

Comayagua, which  
houses members of the  
nation's largest gangs,  
was built in the 1940s  
for 400 inmates, but its  
population had more than  
doubled to 852, with only  
100 guards to maintain  
order. Unlike U.S. prisons,  
where locks can be released  
automatically in an emer-  
gency, Honduran prisons  
are infamous for being old,  
overcrowded hotbeds of  
conflict and crime.

Survivor Ever Lopez,  
24, who was serving time  
for homicide, said he was  
sleeping when the fire  
broke out about 11 p.m.

"I saw the smoke from  
cell block 6 and it spread  
throughout the prison," he  
said. "The other prisoners  
and I broke through the  
roof with our bare hands  
and fled. Thank God I'm  
alive."

Officials said 272 people  
were confirmed dead,  
but many prisoners were  
unaccounted for and the  
death toll could go to 300  
or more. Among the dead  
were six prisoners who  
drowned after trying to  
seek refuge in a water tank.  
There were 852 people in  
the prison at the time of  
the blaze.

A prisoner identified as  
Silverio Aguilar told HRN



FERNANDO ANTONIO, ASSOCIATED PRESS

Inmates' relatives stand at the gates of the prison in Comayagua, Honduras, 90 miles north of the Central American country's capital, Tegucigalpa, after a fire broke out inside the prison early Wednesday. Radio reports from Comayagua said dozens of prisoners were burned beyond recognition and the prison was destroyed by the flames. The fire claimed the lives of at least 272 inmates.

Radio that he first knew  
something was wrong  
when he heard a scream of  
"Fire! Fire!"

"For a while, nobody lis-  
tened. But after a few min-  
utes, which seemed like an  
eternity, a guard appeared  
with keys and let us out,"  
he said.

He said there were 60  
prisoners packed into his  
cell.

National prison system  
director Danilo Orellana  
defended the guards' deci-  
sion to keep firefighters  
out as flames lit up the  
night sky.

"The guards first  
thought they had a prison  
break, so they followed the  
law saying no one could  
enter to prevent unneces-  
sary deaths," he said.

Honduran President  
Porfirio Lobo said on na-  
tional television that he  
had suspended the coun-  
try's top penal officials,

including Orellana, and  
would request internation-  
al assistance in carrying  
out a thorough investiga-  
tion.

"This is a day of pro-  
found sadness," Lobo said.

Outraged relatives of  
dead inmates tried to  
storm the gates of the pris-  
on Wednesday morning  
to recover the remains of  
their loves ones, witnesses  
told The Associated Press.  
The crowds were driven  
back by police officers fir-  
ing tear gas.

Channel 5 television  
showed dozens of inmates'  
relatives hurling rocks at  
officers.

"We want to see the  
body," shouted Juan Mar-  
tinez, whose son was re-  
ported dead. "We'll be here  
until we get to do that"

Danilo Orellana, direc-  
tor of the national prison  
system, said the convicts  
were allowed to work out-

doors, unlike those held in  
a maximum-security facil-  
ity for the country's most  
dangerous prisoners in the  
capital, Tegucigalpa.

Located in the middle of  
irrigated fields and several  
large ponds, the prison was  
comprised of eight build-  
ings set close together,  
with an open, dirt prison  
yard within a central com-  
pound. A single dirt road  
led into the facility, which  
has a soccer field on the  
property.

Honduras has one of  
the world's highest rates  
of violent crime, and its  
overcrowded and dilapi-  
dated prisons have been hit  
by a string of deadly riots  
and fires in recent years.  
Officials have repeat-  
edly pledged to improve  
conditions, only to say  
they don't have sufficient  
funds.

Tuesday's blaze was the  
world's deadliest prison

fire since 1930, when 322  
prisoners were killed in  
Ohio.

The U.S. State Depart-  
ment has criticized Hon-  
duras for "harsh prison  
conditions" and violence  
against detainees.

A 2004 fire at a state  
prison north of the Hon-  
duran capital killed more  
than 100 incarcerated gang  
members. A fire a year  
earlier at a nearby facility  
killed 70 gang members.  
And in 1994, a fire sparked  
by an overheated refrigera-  
tor motor in an overcrowd-  
ed Honduras prison killed  
103 people.

Honduran authorities  
have repeatedly pledged  
to improve conditions,  
but human rights groups  
say little has been done in  
the country of 7.6 million  
people, a major transit  
route for drugs headed  
from South America to the  
United States.

## House leaders praise emerging payroll tax cut deal

ALAN FRAM  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON | Con-  
gressional leaders of both  
parties praised an emerg-  
ing deal Wednesday to  
extend a payroll tax cut  
and extra jobless benefits  
through 2012, but cau-  
tioned that bargainers  
still had to nail down final  
details.

The rare, bipartisan

consensus reflected a de-  
sire by both parties to put  
the long-running drama  
over the issue to rest and  
a shared sense that their  
tentative agreement was  
probably the best deal they  
could get. The pact came  
together after House Re-  
publicans conceded that  
the roughly \$100 billion  
payroll tax cut would not  
have to be paid for with  
spending cuts.

"I do expect, if the  
agreement comes together  
like I expect it will, the  
House should vote this  
week," House Speaker John  
Boehner, R-Ohio, told re-  
porters.

House Minority Leader  
Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.,  
said Democrats were  
pleased that the package  
will extend the payroll tax  
cut and extra jobless ben-  
efits and block a 27 percent  
cut in doctors' Medicare  
reimbursements. Without  
action, the tax cut, added  
unemployment benefits  
and current rate of Medi-  
care benefits would other-  
wise expire March 1.

"We're way down the  
road from where we were  
just a few days ago," she  
said in a brief interview.

Senate Finance Commit-  
tee Chairman Max Baucus,  
D-Mont., one of the bar-  
gainers on the legislation,  
said there were "just a  
couple of little wrinkles"  
left that he believed would  
be resolved on Wednesday.

"I think a lot of people  
realize Congress is not en-  
joying a great reputation,"  
he told reporters. "Both  
sides recognized the need  
to get this done."

Lawmakers said among  
the unresolved items were  
details of the savings to be  
used to pay for about \$50  
billion of the roughly \$150  
billion package.

Once finalized, the mea-  
sure would be an election-  
year victory for President  
Barack Obama, who made  
the payroll tax cut a key-  
stone of his largely ignored  
jobs creation plan in Sep-  
tember.

On Tuesday, House Re-  
publicans emerging from a  
closed-door meeting said  
reaction to the package was  
generally positive, with  
some saying it reflected a  
desire to avoid spending  
months debating an issue  
that cost them dearly last  
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The final performances of the Maysville Players' "More Fun Than Bowling" will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday at the Washington Opera House. The romantic comedy about love, life, death, and gutter balls, features Brad Sorrell, Susan Feil, Lauren Lax, and Bryant Tuschl. For reservations or more information call 606-564-3666.

# FINAL FRAME FOR 'MORE FUN THAN BOWLING'

Audiences have four more opportunities to have "More Fun Than Bowling" as the Maysville Players latest production comes to an end this weekend.

Performances of the romantic comedy will be 7 p.m., Thursday, 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m., Sunday at the Washington Opera House, 116 West Second Street. Tickets are \$15/adults; \$12/seniors age 60 and over, and \$10/students 18 and under. The show is not recommended

for young audiences. Reservations may be made by calling 606-564-3666 or at the theater box office beginning one-hour prior to the performance.

Directed by Mike Thomas, the cast features Brad Sorrell, Susan Feil, Nicole Jarrett, Lauren Lax, and Bryant Tuschl.

"We've had a lovely response to this show," Thomas said. "It's short, sweet, and a bit off-beat with a beautiful set and light design."

Written by Steven Deitz the

comedy about love, life, death, and gutter balls strikes at the heart with laughs to spare, Thomas said. "A perfect show for Valentine's Day week," he concluded.

Audiences are invited to join Jake Tomlinson (Sorrell), owner of the Dust Bowl, as he sits in a hillside cemetery and digs up the dirt on his ex-wives; two of whom (Feil and Lax) have lost their lives in bowling accidents. Convinced he, too, will lose his life; Tomlinson replays his past for his teenaged

daughter Molly (Jarrett) while a mysterious man in black named Mister Dyson (Tuschl) lurks in the background.

The Players are currently celebrating 50 years of presenting theatre to the community. Up next will be the backstage comedy "Noises Off," to be presented April 19-29. The season concludes with the musical "Annie" beginning August 1st.

To learn more about the Players visit [www.maysville-players.net](http://www.maysville-players.net).

## 'Silent Night Deadly Night' Mystery Dinner Theater

GREENUP | Greenbo Lake State Resort Park, in partnership with the Greenup County Extension Arts Council, will host the mystery dinner theater "Silent Night Deadly Night," starring the Murder and Merriment Acting Troupe, March 3.

Guests will spend the evening dining and playing detective as they try to solve a "murder" by gathering clues and mingling with "suspects." Prizes will be awarded.

The story follows vacationing guests at a ski resort and includes an Olympic star, a romance novelist, a movie star and a high-stakes gambler.

See THEATER, B2

## Don Rigsby and Midnight Call in concert Sunday

FLEMINGSBURG | Get ready for the next big Years of Farming Bluegrass Show Sunday, Feb. 19 at 2 p.m., at Simons Middle School featuring two-time Grammy nominee and two-time SPBGMA Traditional Male Vocalist of the Year Don Rigsby and his band, Midnight Call along with Nightflyer. WFLE will have a live radio remote prior to the show at 1 p.m., with interviews with the bands and fans. Tickets are \$12.50 available at the door.

From remote Isonville, to an international following in Bluegrass music, Rigsby has remained true to his mountain roots and made his own marks as a powerful tenor and distinctive mandolin player. Rigsby grew up listening to early Ralph Stanley records and to the high lonesome sounds of his cousin Ricky Skaggs, learning from those who went before him and then adding his own personal touches. Also influenced by the late Keith Whitley, another Elliot County native, Rigsby comes from a family



PROVIDED

Don Rigsby

and community of traditional musicians. He has been singing since he can remember, started playing guitar at age 12, added the mandolin and fiddle, and plays dulcimer.

Rigsby worked his way through Morehead State University playing music with Charlie Sizemore.

See RIGSBY, B2

## HAPPENINGS — UPTOWN AND AROUND THE CORNER

- "More Fun Than Bowling" presented by the Maysville Players, Feb. 17-19, Washington Opera House, Maysville.
- Meet-The-Artist open house, painter Kim Ruark, 6-8 p.m., Feb. 16, Southern State Community College Learning Resources Center South Campus, Fincastle, Ohio.
- Tour of the Rhone Valley by the Glass wine series, Feb. 17, 6-8 p.m., Maysville Institute of Culinary Arts, Maysville.
- Mardi Gras celebration, Feb. 18, O'Rourke's Pub, Maysville.
- Years of Farming Bluegrass Concert featuring Don Rigsby and Midnight Call, Feb. 19, 2 p.m., Simons Middle School, Flemingsburg.
- Polar Bear Plunge 3rd annual Charity Auction benefiting Special Olympics, Feb. 23, 7 p.m., Tumbleweed Southwest Grill, Maysville.
- Meet-The-Artist open house, photographer Cheryl Collier, 6-8 p.m., Feb. 23, Southern State Community College South Campus, Fincastle, Ohio.
- Geobotany of Adams County with Dr. Meg Riestenberg, Feb. 23, 5:15 p.m., Eulett Center, West Union, Ohio.
- Fathead Davis at Chandler's on Market, Feb. 25, Maysville.
- Vernal Pools with naturalist John Howard, Feb. 27, 5:15 p.m., Eulett Center, West Union, Ohio.
- "Weird Ohio" with author James Willis, March 1, 6 p.m., Southern State Community College, South Campus, Fincastle, Ohio.
- "The Laramie Project," March 2-4, Southern State Community College, Central Campus, Hillsboro.
- "Silent Night, Deadly Night" mystery dinner theater, March 3, 7 p.m., Greenbo State Resort Park, Greenup.
- Wild Hogs in Adams County with biologist Craig Hicks, March 8, 5:15 p.m., Eulett Center, West Union, Ohio.
- Fathead Davis at Chandler's on Market, March 16, Maysville.
- St. Patrick's Day Celebration, March 17, O'Rourke's Pub, Maysville.
- Civil War Series Confederate Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston, April 7, 2 p.m., Mason County Public Library, Maysville.

## EXHIBITS

- Mason County High School Art Students Exhibit, Jan. 20 — Feb. 22, Kentucky Gateway Museum Center, Maysville.
- Maysville Players 50th Anniversary Celebration, Jan. 20 — April, Kentucky Gateway Museum Center, Maysville.
- President's Art and Essay Contest, Feb. 25 — March 30, Kentucky Gateway Museum Center, Maysville.



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News vans line the parking lot of the Los Angeles County Coroner’s office where Whitney Houston’s body remains in Los Angeles, Monday. Coroner’s officials said they will not release any information on an autopsy performed Sunday at the request of police detectives investigating the singer’s death. Houston was found in the bathtub of her room, but Assistant Chief Coroner Ed Winter declined to say anything more about the room’s condition or any evidence investigators recovered.

# Coroner seeking Houston medical, pharmacy records

ANTHONY MCCARTNEY  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES | The Los Angeles County coroner’s office has issued subpoenas for medical and pharmacy records from Whitney Houston’s doctors and medical providers — standard procedure in such investigations, an official said Wednesday.

Assistant Chief Coroner Ed Winter said the request is made in virtually all death investigations because it can shed additional light on how people died and whether they had any serious medical conditions.

“We’ve already contacted a number of doctors with requests for records,” he said.

Winter said that at this point, there is nothing unusual about how his office is proceeding with the Houston death investigation.

Investigators found several bottles of prescription medication in the Beverly Hills, California, hotel room where Houston died Saturday. Winter has said they weren’t an unusually large number. Detectives have declined to disclose which medications were found.

Authorities said an autopsy found no indi-

cations of foul play or obvious signs of trauma. Houston was underwater and apparently unconscious when she was pulled from a bathtub, officials said.

It could be weeks before the coroner’s office completes toxicology tests to establish the cause of death.

Houston died just hours before she was scheduled to perform at producer Clive Davis’ pre-Grammy Awards party. Her family plans a private church service Saturday in her hometown of Newark, New Jersey.

Houston, a sensation from her first album in 1985, was one of the world’s best-selling artists from the mid-1980s to the late 1990s, turning out such hits as “I Wanna Dance With Somebody,” “How Will I Know,” “The Greatest Love of All” and “I Will Always Love You.”

But as she struggled with drugs, her majestic voice became raspy, and she couldn’t hit the high notes.

Medical records have

become crucial in celebrity death investigations, including inquiries into what killed actress Britney Murphy and pop superstar Michael Jackson. Murphy’s cause of death was not drug-related, the coroner’s office determined.

Jackson’s personal physician, Conrad Murray, was convicted of involuntary manslaughter for the singer’s death. He had been giving the entertainer nightly doses of the anesthetic propofol in Jackson’s bedroom as a sleep aid but kept no records of the treatments.

Law enforcement can access California’s prescription drug monitoring database known as CURES, which contains more than 100 million prescriptions. The data culled from pharmacies can determine whether doctors are prescribing outside the course of normal medical practice and see if a patient is getting multiple prescriptions from various physicians, commonly known as doctor shopping.

## DATEBOOK

**TODAY**  
MASON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — 10:30 a.m., Preschool Storytime.  
SILVER PAGES BOOK CLUB — 1:30 P.M., Mason County Extension Office, book, The Help.  
CONCERNED CITIZENS OF ABERDEEN — 6 p.m., Aberdeen Community Building.  
MASON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — Computer class, 9:30 a.m.  
MAYSVILLE PLAYERS PRESENT — “More Fun Than Bowling,” 7 p.m., Washington Opera House, 15-\$10, reserve tickets by calling 564-3666.  
MASON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — eBook Club, 4:30 — 5:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY**  
COMMUNITY PRAYER MEETING — 6:30 p.m., Mason County Public Library, sponsored by the Limestone Ministerial Association.  
SPAY-GHETTI DINNER FUND-RAISER — 5-7:30 p.m., Rotary Clubhouse, Maysville. Tickets \$6 in advance and \$7 at the door. All proceeds to HSBT Spay/Neuter Assistance Program.  
MAYSVILLE PLAYERS PRESENT — “More Fun Than Bowling,” 8 p.m., Washington Opera House, 15-\$10, reserve tickets by calling 564-3666.

**SATURDAY**  
LEWISBURG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT — Spaghetti Supper, 5 p.m., \$6, firehall.  
VALENTINE’S DAY DANCE — American Legion No. 180, Georgetown, Ohio, 8 p.m. — midnight, raffles and prizes, David James Band, \$10 and \$18 couple.  
MAYSVILLE PLAYERS PRESENT — “More Fun Than Bowling,” 8 p.m., Washington Opera House, 15-\$10, reserve tickets by calling 564-3666.  
VFW MAYSVILLE — 8 p.m. — midnight, Country Rockers.

**SUNDAY**  
67TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ASSAULT ON IWO JIMA — 2 p.m., honoring PFC Franklin R. Sousley, USMCCR (KIA), VFW Post, Flemingsburg, 1335 Mount Sterling Road; 3 p.m., Elizaville Cemetery. Contact Marine Corps League, Dan Daly Det., 859-277-2654 or Flemingsburg VFW Post, 606-845-6101.  
MAYSVILLE PLAYERS PRESENT — “More Fun Than Bowling,” 2 p.m., Washington Opera House, 15-\$10, reserve tickets by calling 564-3666.

**MONDAY**  
TRI COUNTY SHRINE CLUB — 7 p.m., deSha’s Restaurant.  
LUZ NUTS HOT ROD CLUB — 6 p.m., Bob Evans Restaurant.  
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Restaurant, speakers Paul Tierney of Blue Licks and Gary Tanner on Reconstituting Tanner Salt Works.  
MASON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY — Closed for President’s Day.  
SOUPER QUICK SEMINAR — 1:30 p.m., Mason County Extension Office. Call 564-6808.  
ROBERTSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION — 6:30 p.m., board office.

**TUESDAY**  
BTADD BOARD OF DIRECTORS — 6:30 p.m., BTADD offices.  
AMERICAN RED CROSS — Noon to 6 p.m., Maysville Church of Nativity, Third Street, Maysville.  
OHIO VALLEY J.V.S.D. — Board of Education, 7 p.m., at the Ohio Valley Career and Technical Center.  
RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE — Noon — 6 p.m., Maysville Church of Nativity, 31 East Third Street, Maysville. Canteen provided by the Rotary Club.  
RULH BOARD OF EDUCATION — 6 p.m., tour of building, 7 p.m., meeting, RULH Elementary School cafeteria.  
MAYSVILLE ROTARY CLUB — 11:45 a.m., Justin Pate, MCTC, update on college programs.  
MCTC QUICKBOOKS 2010 — 6:15-8:15 p.m., Maysville Campus, Feb. 21-March 20.

**MISCELLANEOUS**  
MAYSVILLE YOUNGER WOMANS CLUB — First Thursday of every month, call Jennifer Boone, at 407-5152 for information.  
MAYSVILLE LIONS CLUB — First and Third Thursdays of each month at 6:30 p.m., at the Lions Clubhouse.  
KENTUCKY GATEWAY MUSEUM CENTER — Closed on Sundays during January, February, and March.  
AUTISM PARENT SUPPORT GROUP — ACT Building, first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m., Information: Terri Srinivasan, Family Liaison, Comprehensive, 606-301-3842 (cell).  
COMMUNITY PRAYER SERVICE — 6:30 p.m. — 7:15 p.m., third Friday of each month, Mason County Public Library.

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## RIGSBY

FROM B1

He emerged onto the national scene as a member of The Bluegrass Cardinals, played with JD Crowe and The New South, and was a member of the award-winning Lonesome River Band. Rigsby sang on a Grammy-winning album by rocker John Fogerty and has released three solo albums.

His first, “A Vision,” won the Association of Independent Music’s “Gospel Album of the Year” award

and was nominated for an IBMA Award. He received the 1999 Bluegrass Now Magazine Fans’ Choice Award for Vocal Tenor of the Year and the 2001 Governor’s Kentucky Star Award. “Empty Old Mailbox,” the title track from his third album won the 2001 Song of the Year Award from SPBGMA. In 2005, Rigsby was awarded two IBMA awards for his role as producer of the Larry Sparks project “40” for Recorded Event of the Year and Album of the Year. He has recorded two albums with Dudley

Connell and continues to record with Midnight Call and Longview.

In 2001, Rigsby became the first full-time director of Morehead State University’s Kentucky Center for Traditional Music, an innovative program designed to preserve and promote traditional music in all forms, including programs for schools and a minor in traditional music at MSU. He was instrumental in founding “Bluegrass ‘n More: A Celebration of Appalachian Heritage,” an annual early June festival in Morehead that features Bluegrass, gospel, and other forms of mountain music and exhibitions of Appalachian cultural innovations.

Nightflyer is a newly formed group of musicians

from southwestern Ohio, playing a hard driving mix of contemporary and traditional bluegrass and gospel. The band’s lead singer and guitarist Richard Propps most recently in the group Blue Storm. Mandolinist and occasional lead vocalist Rick Hayes spent four years touring nationally with the Gibson Brothers. Tony Kakaris is the heartbeat of Nightflyer on the standup bass, lending baritone as well as lead vocals to the group. Tim Jackson adds spice to the mix with his fiery dobro performances, and an occasional baritone. Ronnie Stewart contributes banjo, sweet lyrical tenor and lead vocals.

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FROM B1

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Reservations are required by Feb. 27. The show starts at 7 p.m. The park is offering two packages. The first includes overnight lodging, dinner, show, and continental breakfast for \$150 double occupancy/\$105 single occupancy.

The second package includes the dinner and show only for \$46 per person.

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## HOW YOU SEE IT

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What is wrong with the transportation director in Fleming County Schools and the superintendent for goodness sakes?

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### IS THERE A TEST FOR THAT?

How can someone tell if they are born to be gay by genes, they are gay by some bizarre childhood experience or if they are because of the temptation from Satan?

### RICH GETTING RICHER

Our president wants to put more taxes on people who make over \$250,000 a year. Doesn't he know that this is not going to happen because they are our Congressmen in Washington D.C. They aren't going to vote for a tax increase for themselves. It is the rich in Washington and on Wall Street that make over \$250,000.

### BIG THANK YOU

Many thanks to the brave guys at the Orangeburg Fire Department for coming out in bad conditions and the little guy in the green truck who got me out of the ditch. Thank you very much.

### VOTE EARLY AND OFTEN

In the newspaper and on the news this morning they told that they had found 24 million errors in voting registrations. Some from out of state and some voted twice, 24 million mistakes. They don't want an ID card. Until they have an ID card our elections will not be accurate.

### RAH, RAH TEAM

Good luck to the Mason County Cheerleaders in Bowling Green Saturday.



## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### PARENTS IN KY. LACK SCHOOL CHOICE PROGRAMS

Dear editor,  
Let us imagine only being able to buy groceries at a supermarket located in a district to which we have been assigned. Law requires that we prepay for these groceries through taxes deducted from our wages. The supermarket is guaranteed our business, thus no incentive exists for its management or staff to provide high quality goods or services. As a result we are forced to put up with long lines, unfriendly employees, limited choices of items, and less than fresh fruits, meats and vegetables.

While this situation may sound ludicrous when applied to the actual reality of grocery shopping, parents in states like Kentucky that lack any school choice programs face similar situations year after year. Lack of school choice in Kentucky produces a strong disconnect between parent preferences and actual school enrollment and discourages competition, competition that fosters incentives toward better programs, service, and outcomes. Contrary to claims by opponents of school choice, such programs do not harm public schools.

According to a National Association of Educational Progress (NAEP) report from 2008, 73 percent of Kentucky's eighth graders are not proficient in math, 67 percent of them were not proficient in reading, and in 2007, 74 percent were not proficient in writing. According to the American Promise Alliance, only 71.8 percent of Kentucky's children graduate from high school, ranking them 27th in the country in graduation rates. An August 2009 report by Paul DiPerna of the Friedman Foundation for Educational Choice found that 86 percent of Kentucky voters prefer choosing a school for their child among options that include private, charter, virtual schools and homeschooling, yet only 9 percent of Kentucky's K-12 students attend private schools. Kentucky does not have any private or charter school choice programs.

Skeptics of school choice will posit the Blain amendment that prevents public funding of any private school in Kentucky. This argument is easily overcome as any state that is willing to propose a constitutional amendment to allow legalized casino gambling can certainly eliminate such an outmoded rule. Other critics will claim that school choice options siphon away much needed funds that could be used to improve public education. However, since the 1960's public school funding in this country (corrected for inflation) has increased by three fold while academic performance has been flat and the United States has become less academically competitive world-wide. According to the School Choice Advocate, a publication of the Foundation for Educational Choice, ten studies using the gold standard of "random assignment" to compare students who got vouchers to students who did not, consistently showed positive impacts for the voucher recipients. Voucher programs were also shown to have a positive impact on public schools, while no study has ever found that school choice has a negative impact on public schools.

Jan. 22-28 was National School Choice Week. Let us hope that the wishes of the majority of voters in the Bluegrass state do not continue to fall on deaf ears in Frankfort. If they do, the children in our state will continue to face a future of academic mediocrity and decline in global competitiveness.

Most sincerely yours,  
Dr. Shawn Ross — Maysville

## POLITICAL COMMENTARY

# Obama's lucky break



DANA MILBANK



While Mitt Romney, Newt Gingrich and Rick Santorum are making each other unelectable, the president is singing Al Green, congratulating Super Bowl winners, playing with science projects, raising obscene amounts of campaign cash and watching his poll numbers soar.

WASHINGTON | It's nine months until Election Day, but President Obama is already bringing out the big guns.

Specifically, he is shouldering the Extreme Marshmallow Cannon.

Obama walked into the State Dining Room at midday Tuesday and encountered 14-year-old Joey Hudy and the compressed-air cannon he invented to launch marshmallows as part of a science fair.

"The Secret Service is going to be mad at me about this," the president said, but he didn't care. He asked Hudy to hand over the gun, told onlookers to step aside, pumped up the compressor — and shot a confection across the room Thomas Jefferson used as his office. Under the watchful gaze of an Abraham Lincoln portrait, the projectile narrowly missed a window and smacked into a wall near the entrance to the Red Room.

Minutes later, the commander in chief went downstairs to the East Room to report on his marksmanship, telling the assembled TV cameras that he "shot a marshmallow through an air gun, which was very exciting."

It was so exciting that White House press secretary Jay Carney led off Tuesday afternoon's briefing with more talk of the Extreme Marshmallow Cannon, suggesting that he would like to arm himself with one on the podium. "I hope you enjoyed the science fair," he said. "The president sure did." Carney then moved on to discuss "another moment of the president's day that the president enjoyed" — chatting with the New York Giants head coach.

Obama suddenly seems to be enjoying himself quite a bit, and no wonder: He just might be the luckiest man alive.

At the last possible moment to save his re-election, the economy is beginning to hum, as evidenced by Friday's jobs report. And Obama's Republican opponents are shaping up to be as formidable as, well, marshmallows. While Mitt Romney, Newt Gingrich and Rick Santorum are making each other unelectable, the president is singing Al Green, congratulating Super Bowl winners, playing with science projects, raising obscene amounts of campaign cash and watching his poll numbers soar.

According to historical patterns, the high unemployment rate and slow economic growth should combine to doom Obama.

But historical patterns do not take into account an opponent who says he enjoys firing people. This week's Washington Post-ABC News poll showed Obama with

a nine-point lead over Romney and a 15-point lead over Gingrich. And political handicapper Charlie Cook wrote Tuesday about a fundamental shift in Obama's prospects, as the GOP position retreats from "cautiously optimistic" to "uncertainty."

In politics, it's better to be lucky than good, and Obama has come into an unexpectedly large quantity of luck. Five straight monthly drops in the unemployment rate have boosted consumer confidence and stock markets.

And, while Obama does nothing more than sit and watch, his opponents are alienating the electorate. Conservative blogger Erick Erickson summed up the disenchantment this week when he said that he would rather have the "sweet meteor of death than any of the candidates left in the race." Santorum's unexpected revival in Tuesday's primaries — essentially a protest vote — indicates that Erickson has plenty of company.

While Romney embraces the birther billionaire Donald Trump, he has ceded to Obama the political center. The day after Romney indelicately announced that he was "not concerned about the very poor," Obama spoke at the National Prayer Breakfast about his affection for the Rev. Billy Graham and about "the biblical call to care for the least of these — for the poor; for those at the margins of our society."

The run of luck has left Obama in buoyant spirits, which were on display in the White House on Tuesday. Leaving aside the crisis in Syria and a dispute with the Catholic bishops, he lingered at the science fair to talk to the teen inventors and try their toys, including a robot made from a trash can ("I'm trying to figure out how you got through the metal detectors," Obama commented) and sugar packets made from dissolving packaging ("Tell me when I can buy stock," the president said).

He turned to three girls from Texas who had built rockets, and recounted his own experiment of dropping eggs with Sasha from the Truman Balcony. "I'm hip to the whole egg thing," he said, before agreeing to the girls' request for a group hug.

For a man who has until recently been focused on his own survival, it's a newfound luxury to spend quality time with robots and marshmallows. "I've got to say," a grinning Obama said, "this is fun."

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## POLITICAL COMMENTARY

# A way out, wrapped in a fig leaf



RUTH MARCUS



Easier, cheaper access to contraception means fewer pregnancies. Pregnancies — and the resulting babies — cost insurers far more than birth control pills

WASHINGTON | I write today in praise of fig leaves. In politics, as in religion, fig leaves have an important place.

The compromise — or, in the administration's assessment, non-compromise — announced by the White House is, in essence, a huge regulatory fig leaf.

Women who work for religiously affiliated institutions with moral objections to contraception will nonetheless have access to contraceptive coverage free of charge, just as women who work for other employers. They won't have to sign up for any different coverage, or pay any additional money.

The employers, for their part, won't have to pay for the coverage, or say they offer it, or even direct employees to places where they can obtain it. The extra cost, and here is where the fig leaf comes in, will be borne by the insurance companies themselves.

This is, of course, a dodge — a quite clever and positive one. Everyone gets to say that the religious institutions aren't "paying for" contraception. But if covering contraception ends up costing them money, you can be sure those costs will be passed along, as costs always are, to customers.

The beauty of this dodge is that it is entirely possible, even likely, that adding the coverage will not raise rates. Easier, cheaper access to contraception means fewer pregnancies. Pregnancies — and the resulting babies — cost insurers far more than birth control pills. According to the Guttmacher Institute, the federal government reported no increase in costs after Congress required coverage of contraceptives for federal employees in 1998. Think of it as immaculate contraceptive coverage.

Of course, fig leaves can leave gaps. One big gap in the administration's plan involves how to treat religiously affiliated institutions that are self-insured. In those situations, the employer pays an insurance company to administer the plan but bears the cost of medical care directly.

The administration's approach does not necessarily solve the problem for such entities.

The biggest puzzle is how the administration landed itself in this fix. There was going to be no satisfying the Catholic bishops. From the church's point of view, no exemption could be broad enough. In a letter to the Department of Health and Human Services, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops argued that contraception "is not properly seen as basic health care" and that the mandate "should be rescinded in its entirety."

But the public was not in an uproar about the mandate itself. The White House's self-inflicted wound involved its refusal to write a large-enough exemption. The administration, balancing between the ire of women's groups already worked up about its refusal to explain access to emergency contraceptives and the need to avoid alienating Catholics, botched the call.

The president, in his prickly way, admitted as much in the news conference announcing the new plan. Originally, he noted, religious institutions were given a one-year grace period to figure out how to comply with the coverage mandate.

"Now, after the many genuine concerns that have been raised over the last few weeks, as well as, frankly, the more cynical desire on the part of some to make this into a political football," Obama said, "it became clear that spending months hammering out a solution was not going to be an option, that we needed to move this faster." Uh, yeah.

It is excessive and malicious to accuse Obama of waging a war on religion. But you don't have to be conservative or Catholic — or male, for that matter — to think he flubbed this call and to be relieved that the administration seems to have found a way out.

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Karah L. Gould and Levi J. Watson

## Gould-Watson vows to be exchanged

Karah L. Gould, daughter of the late Jim Forman and the late Kim Griffith, would like to announce her upcoming marriage to Levi J. Watson, son of Lon and Teri Watson of Maysville.

Karah graduated in 2007 from Manchester High School and received her associates degree in arts from Maysville Community and Technical College in 2010. She recently graduated with her bachelor's degree in mental health and counseling from Lindsey Wilson College. She will be continuing her education at Minot State University.

Levi is a 2009 graduate of Mason County High School and is a Senior Airman in the United States Air Force.

The wedding will be an event of June 2012.



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**STUDENT STANDOUTS** | Mason County Middle School students recognized as Students of the Month were: Sixth Grade, Sage Kinney, Bryan Walton, Pryce Hesler and Brooke Hinson (not pictured); Seventh Grade, Faith Turner, Jonathan Bickley, Erika Simms, and Dylan McCray; and Eighth Grade, Dashine Colegrove, Devontae Stewart, Alex Wright and Malea Roberson

## Taking ownership of your diabetes

Taking ownership of your diabetes sessions will be offered at the Mason County Extension Office in coordination with the Mason County Health Department, beginning Feb. 22.

An estimated 318,000 adults in Kentucky have been diagnosed with diabetes, making this the 9th highest ranking state in the nation. Those who

live with uncontrolled or poorly controlled diabetes are at higher risk for complications, including heart and kidney disease, nerve damage and amputations.

The Mason County Health Department and the Mason County Cooperative Extension Service will offer a joint educational program called "Taking Ownership of your Diabetes." This program is designed to educate and encourage individuals diagnosed with all types of diabetes to take the necessary

steps to manage the disease. All sessions will be held at the Mason County Extension Office from 5:15 till 7:15 p.m. Classes will start on Wednesday, Feb. 22 and meet each Wednesday evening for four weeks. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend. The program is free and open to the public. For more information or to sign up, please call the Mason County Extension Office at 564-6808 or the Buffalo Trace District Health Department-Mason County office at 564-9447.

## ADVICE

# Motorists in the wrong find ways to make things right

**DEAR ABBY:** "Mild-Mannered Motorist in Virginia" (Dec.

26) asked you for a hand signal to indicate "I'm sorry" to fellow drivers when he makes mistakes behind the wheel. Not long ago, I made a not-so-serious mistake that angered another driver. When I flashed a peace sign, then moved my mouth in an "I'm sorry," the person's frown changed to a smile. We then drove on with pleasant attitudes, and I tried to watch my driving more closely.

The peace sign, of course, is hand closed, forefinger and middle finger up as in a "V." I think the whole world recognizes a peace sign. It worked for me. — **FAITHFUL READER IN ARKANSAS**

**DEAR FAITHFUL READER:** I assured "Mild-Mannered" that my helpful readers would step forward to offer suggestions for an "I'm sorry" signal. And many, like you, mentioned giving the peace sign. Offering more options, my newspaper readers comment:

**DEAR ABBY:** We New Yorkers have honed silent signals to a fine art. When I'm at fault in traffic or other situations where I can't apologize verbally, I make eye contact, put my hand to my chest to accuse myself, and put my hands in a prayerful gesture to ask forgiveness. This almost always defuses the situation on the spot. Add a smile and you've made a friend as well. — **LORNA, IN THE CITY**

**DEAR ABBY:** I, too, have made boo-boos while driving and wish I could have said "I'm sorry," but the person is usually too busy shaking a fist and screaming what are obviously obscenities to notice. I like the idea of a standard "sorry" gesture.

How about holding one hand up with your palm toward your face for just a second? (As in "I'm ashamed of what I just did.") It's simple and lets you keep your other hand on the wheel. — **CAROL IN HOUSTON**

**DEAR ABBY:** Why not use the American Sign Language symbol for "sorry"? Make a fist with your right hand, palm toward

the body and place it over the area of your heart and

move it in small circles. Of course, the expression on your face pulls it all together. Sign language is used by many people, and the chance that the person you offended may already be familiar with this sign makes it

a great way to convey the sentiment. — **SIGN USER IN OLD LYME, CONN.**

**DEAR ABBY:** If I think the other driver will be able to see me, the gesture I make after a mistake is an exaggerated, slow smack to my forehead — basically, my own Homer Simpson "Doh!" — **IN THE WRONG IN MAINE**

**DEAR ABBY:** "Mild-Mannered Motorist's" letter reminded me of an incident a few years ago. Driving home from work, I was forced to swerve into an oncoming lane by a car driven by a young woman who was pulling onto the road from a parking lot. She didn't see me because of traffic in the lane to my right. Fortunately, there were no oncoming vehicles, and I was able to return to my lane and proceed.

At the traffic signal, I noticed the "offending" car was directly behind me. It continued following me and I started becoming concerned that I had a stalker. Turning into my neighborhood, I quickly drove up my driveway and into my garage. When I got out of the car, the young woman was walking up the driveway. She then began apologetically apologizing for having caused a problem for me.

She had driven miles out of her way to offer her apology, which I gratefully accepted. Then we both thanked God for protecting us. I have never seen her again, but I hope she knows I respect her tremendously. — **PLEASANTLY SURPRISED IN NORTH CAROLINA**

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In order to better meet the needs of the community including the schools, it is in the interest of the staff to reopen on Tuesdays.

Maysville is very fortunate to have a wonderful museum which is home to many displays as well as traveling displays.

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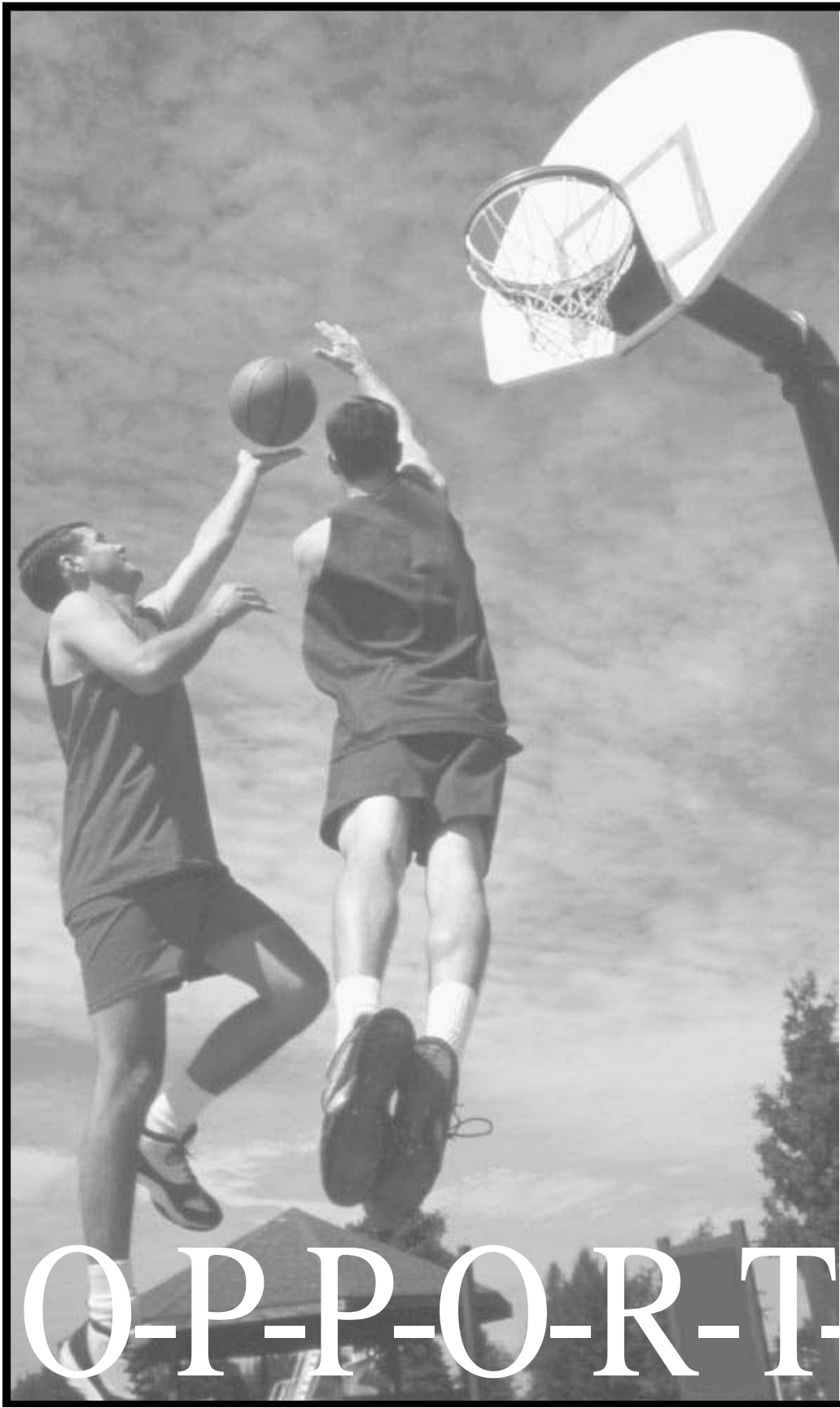
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• **Wednesday**  
10:30 AM-Trinity United Methodist Church Library, 26 W. Third Street, Maysville, KY

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• **Thursdays**  
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• **Saturday**  
10:00AM Women Getting Well at the Mason Co. Library, 218 E. 3rd St. Maysville, KY.  
• **Sunday**  
10:00AM - Sunday Morning Serenity Group, 829 E. Walnut Street, West Union, OH  
6:30PM - 4th Dimension Group, basement of Presbyterian Church Stanley Reed Court

• **Monday**  
6:30PM - 8-Up Group Hunter House, Episcopal Church  
• **Wednesday**  
12:00PM- Lunchtime Serenity Presbyterian Church, 3rd and Stanley Reed Court, Maysville, KY  
8:00 PM- Flemingsburg Group, St. Charles Church, 120 Mt. Carmel St. Flemingsburg, KY

• **Thursday**  
7:00PM- New Beginnings Group, Hunter House, Episcopal Church

• **Friday**  
8:00PM Road To Recovery, Episcopal Church, Corner of Third & Limestone, Maysville, KY  
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6:30PM Spiritual Solutions Group Hunter House, Episcopal Church Third & Limestone, Maysville  
7 PM 2343 Bypass, Flemingsburg, KY  
• **Saturday**  
7pm "Welcome Home" Mason Co. Public Library, 218 E. 3rd St., Maysville, KY  
7PM Tollesboro Narcotics Anonymous Meetings. At the Cross Point Church/Citizens Deposit Bank Building.  
7PM-8PM Open 2033 Duke St, Dover Baptist Church, Dover, KY  
• **Sunday**  
7PM Orangeburg Fire Dept. Non-smoking

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## Meetings

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CW Day (leader) 606-748-4898

★NARCOTICS  
ANONYMOUS  
MEETINGS

• **Monday**  
6PM New Beginnings, 101 3rd St., Vanceburg, KY  
8PM Spiritual Solutions Group Hunter House, Episcopal Church.  
• **Tuesday**  
6PM New Beginnings, 101 3rd St., Vanceburg, KY  
7PM 2343 Bypass, Flemingsburg, KY.  
• **Wednesday**  
7PM "Welcome Home" Mason Co Public Library, 218 E. 3rd St., Maysville, KY  
6PM New Beginnings, 101 3rd St., Vanceburg, KY  
7 PM Basement of First Presbyterian Church, Stanley Reed Court, Maysville, KY.  
• **Thursday**  
6PM New Beginnings, 101 3rd St., Vanceburg, KY  
7 PM Quitters Mt. Olivet, next to Post office.  
7PM Washington United Methodist Church, 1917 US 68, Maysville, KY

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FOR RENT

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## Houses/Unfurnished

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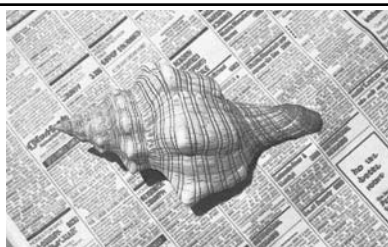
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1. 10-CI-00400: Bank of America, N.A. vs. Arnold Jones, et. al., 516 Buckner Street, Maysville, Mason County, KY. Judgment amount: \$63,114.71.

2. 10-CI-00324: Beneficial Kentucky, Inc. vs. Robert W. Griffin, et. al.; 2101 Buckingham Square, Maysville, Mason County, KY. Judgment amount: \$147,228.65.

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The following Ordinances were adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Maysville, Kentucky on Feb. 9, 2012:

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**  
**CITY OF MAYSVILLE**  
**Ordinance No. 12-01**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODE OF ORINANCES**  
**SECTION 231.03 LICENSES; LICENSE FEES**

## Summary

This Ordinance amends Code of Ordinances Section 231.03 to add alcoholic beverage license categories for distiller and microbrewery and to add annual license fees of \$500 for each category.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF MAYSVILLE, KENTUCKY, as follows:

Code of Ordinance Section §231.03 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

§ 231.03. LICENSES; LICENSE FEES.

(A) (1) The following kinds of alcoholic beverage licenses, to expire the same date as the state license, may be issued under this chapter upon payment of the following annual license fees:

License	Fee
Sale of distilled spirits and wine at wholesale	\$750
Sale of distilled spirits and wine at retail by the package, for consumption off the premises	\$450
Sale of distilled spirits and wine at retail by the glass, for consumption on the premises	\$450
Distribution of beer and malt beverages	\$150
Sale of beer and malt beverages at retail	\$75
Distiller's license	\$500
Microbrewery	\$500

(2) Provided, that private clubs shall pay half of the above fees for license years beginning July 1, 1983, and thereafter.

(B) No license listed above shall be deemed to include any other listed license, and any person applying for more than 1 above-listed license shall pay the aggregate fees therefor.  
(1991 Code, § 231.03) (Ord. 95C-5, passed 3-20-1995; Am. Ord. 99C-26, passed 10-14-1999; Am. Ord. 06C-15, passed 9-11-2006)

David W. Cartmell, Mayor

ATTEST:  
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Mason County Fiscal Court  
INVITATION TO BID

Mason County Fiscal Court is hereby accepting sealed bids for the blacktopping of a portion of Nepton Pike from the Fleming County line to Metcalfe Mill Road. This section of the roadway is approximately 1.769 miles long and 16 feet wide. The bid should include 1½ inch of surface with shouldering.

Bids will be accepted until **2:00 p.m.** prevailing time on **March 2, 2012.**

Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed to:

James L. Gallenstein, Mason County Judge/Executive  
Mason County Courthouse  
221 Stanley Reed Court Street  
Maysville, Kentucky 41056

The sealed envelopes containing a bid must be clearly marked on the outside as "Bid for Nepton Road." Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered nor will faxed bids. Any questions regarding specifications, bid procedures or road inspections should be directed to Joe Brown, Mason County Road Supervisor at (606) 564-4218.

The Fiscal Court reserves the right to waive any and all formalities in bidding. The Court further reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to accept any bid, whether or not the lowest price, that the Court, in its sole discretion, deems to be in the best interest of sound fiscal management for the County. Mason County specifically reserves the right to require such bonds, insurance agreements, warranties, or covenants that in its sole discretion deems necessary.

Amy Asher  
Fiscal Court Clerk



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## 1100

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### 1142 Household Furnishings

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1235 Music Center

### 1210 Musical Instruments

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### PET MARKET

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1320 Dogs  
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